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DEPARTURES FOR EUROPE.

| Vessels. | Tons. | Captains. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | | FRIDAY, 5 P. M. |
| SHANNON | 4189 | E. Crewe | 28th Aug. |
| M. SIFFLEJ | 4205 | A. Symons | 4th Sept. |
| † GANGES | 4206 | T. F. Creery | 11th " |
| | | | SATURDAY, 2 P.M. |
| B.I. PENINSULAR | 5207 | F. H. Seymour | 19th Sept. |
| † THAMES | 4113 | W. J. Nantes | 28th " |
| B.I. SHANNON | 4189 | E. Crewe | 3rd October |
| † GANGES | 4206 | T. F. Creery | 10th " |
| B.I. CARTHAGE | 5283 | M. De Horne | 17th " |
| † THAMES | 4113 | W. J. Nantes | 24th " |
| B.I. INDIA | 6000 | R. F. Briscoe | 31st " |

The Steamers marked B. I. proceed to BRINDISI MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH and LONDON.
The Steamers marked † proceed to Aden only, and Passengers transhipp there to a Steamer for BRINDISI and LONDON.
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Bombay, 13th August, 1896.

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| Steamer. | Captain. | Tons. | H.P. | To Sail on |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| IMPERATOR | B. Vidos | 4,119 | 750 | 1st Sept. 1896. |
| IMPERATRIX | T. Rassevich. | 4,194 | 750 | 1st Oct. 1896. |
| IMPERATOR | B. Vidos | 4,119 | 750 | 1st Nov. 1896. |
| IMPERATRIX | T. Rassevich. | 4,194 | 750 | 1st Dec. 1896. |
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| TRIESTE, VENICE, Or BRINDISI | Rs. 600 | Rs. 325 | Rs. 150 |

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| MARQUIS BACQUEHEM | G. Costanzo | 4,409 | 350 | 7th Sept. |
| MEDUSA | G. Wallusching | 2,708 | 350 | 7th Oct. |
| MARIA VALERIE | A. Fellner | 4,235 | 350 | 7th Nov. |

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| VINDOBONA | C. Bellen | 4,351 | 350 | 21st Sept., 1896. |

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| Vessels. | Tons. | Captains. | To Sail on Saturday. |
|---|---|---|---|
| SALAZIE | 4255 | Paul | 5th Sept. 1896. |
| SAGHALIEN | 4049 | Le Gall | 3rd October " |
| NATAL | 4074 | Bourdon | 31st " |
| OCEANIEN | 4259 | Schmitz | 28th Nov. " |
| ERNEST SIMONS | 5707 | Le Troadec | 26th Dec. " |

DEPARTURES TO COLOMBO, SINGAPORE, JAVA, SAIGON, TONQUIN, CHINA, JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

| Vessel. | Capt. | Tons. | To sail on or about |
|---|---|---|---|
| CALEDONIEN | L. Blanc | 4,232 | 26th Aug. |

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FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.
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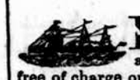

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1. To receive the Accounts made up to the 30th June, and the Directors' Report.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To elect Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from this date until the 31st instant, inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,

JOHN BRISTED,
General Manager.

Bombay, August 17, 1896.

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### THE SASSOON SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of The Sassoon Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 8, Forbes Street, Fort, on FRIDAY, the 11th day of September, 1896, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the following Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on Monday, the 24th day of August, 1896, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

1—That the Board be authorized to extend the Mill by the erection of such New Buildings and Tank and/or the alteration of such existing Buildings and Tank and to provide such New Engines, Boilers, Machinery and Gearing as the Board may think advisable.

2—That the Board be authorized to increase the Capital of the Company to Twenty-two and a-half lacs of Rupees (22,50,000) by the creation of 1500 New Shares of Rupees Five hundred each to be called "B shares," which B shares shall in the first instance be offered by the Board to the shareholders of the Company on the Register on the 14th September, 1896, in the proportion of one of such "B Shares" for every old share held on that date with the option to accept by 30th September, 1897, the B shares so offered or any less number thereof the residue of the "B shares" not so applied for and taken up to be disposed of as the Board may think fit.

3—That on such increase of Capital being made by the Board the Vth para of the memorandum and the 4th Article of Association of the Company be modified as follows: viz., for the figure "15" substitute "22½" and after the word "each" insert" and 1,500 Shares of Rupees 500 each to be called "B Shares" in such Vth para and 4th article respectively.

4—That the Articles of Association of the Company be amended as follows, viz:—

In article 71 omit the words "and vote" and substitute for the last 13 words

"But no Shareholder who has not been so registered and continued up to the date of such meeting to be still registered as the holder of shares of the nominal value of at least Rupees 1,000 shall be entitled to vote at such meetings and if so entitled he shall have one vote in respect of every share or shares of the nominal value of Rupees 1,000 of which he has been and has continued to be the registered holder as aforesaid."

In article 81 for the words "five shares" substitute "shares of the nominal value of Rs. 5,000"

In article 126 between the words "in proportion to" and "their shares" in both places in which they occur insert" the nominal amount of" and add at end "Provided that the B shares shall not be entitled to share in any Dividends to be declared out of Profits earned for a period anterior to 1st January, 1897.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

DOSSABHAI EDULJEE,
Secretary.

Bombay, 24th, August, 1896.

### SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY,
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On THURSDAY, the 27th instant, Messrs. MENESSE and Co. will hold their usual Weekly Sale at their Rooms of a quantity of grey, white, and coloured piece-goods, twist, &c.—

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1 case coloured sarries.
1 case cotton check.
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2 cases macassar oil.

On account of the underwriters—

1 case damaged Grey Loongees,
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AUCTION SALE of Unclaimed Goods, Grain and other Sweepings, etc., etc., at the G. I. P. Railway Goods Station, at Wari Bunder.

Messrs. MENESSE and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction on Tuesday, the 25th instant, at 2 p.m., at the above-mentioned place—

A quantity of unclaimed goods, grain cotton, and other sweepings, waste paper, etc., etc. Also on account of whomsoever it may concern:—One wagon steam coals Dhuboi to Wari Bunder, invoice No. 1-1-96, consigned to Messrs. Currimbhoy Ebrahim and Co.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 25th August, 1896.

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No. 4, FORBES & MEDOWS STREETS, FORT.

SALE OF MATERIALS OF THE BUILDING STREET No. 56, COPPER SMITH STREET, MAZAGON.

Under instructions from the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, Messrs MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co. will sell for removal, by Public Auction THIS DAY, TUESDAY, the 25th August, 1896, at 4 p.m. on the premises the whole of the materials of the said building.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

SALE OF NIGHT CAPS, G. SHIRTS, HOSES, NECK-TIES, WATCHES, &c.

By order of C. A. Turner, Esq., Official Assignee, H. C., and in re Musa Noormahomed Sewani, an insolvent, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co will sell by Public Auction, THIS DAY, TUESDAY, the 25th August, 1896, at 1-30 p.m., at their Sale Rooms, No. 4, Forbes and Medows Streets, Fort, consisting bundles of night caps, guernsey shirts, pants, gloves Romal, hosiery socks, stockings, neckties, cuffs and collars, belts, children's shoes, hoods, chairs, show boxes, bed and pillows, empty paper and wooden boxes, matting, &c.

Also, by order of the Chief Presidency Magistrate, consisting small gold ear-rings, silver buttons, Jones silver watch, metal watches, time-piece, old clothes, &c.

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## NOTICES.

### THE SASSOON SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Rupees Fifty per Share (free of Income Tax), for the half-year ending 30th June, 1896, will be payable to the Shareholders at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 8, Forbes Street, Fort, on and after FRIDAY, the 28th August, 1896, between the hours of 11 A.M. and 3 P.M.

Shareholders are requested to produce their Share Certificates when applying for their Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 24th to 29th August, 1896.

By Order of the Board,

DOSSABHAI EDULJEE,
Secretary.

Bombay, 20th August, 1896.

### NOTICE TO MASTER CONTRACTORS.

THE CORPORATION of Calcutta desire to receive Tenders for the construction of a portion of their DRAINAGE EXTENSION WORKS to be submitted not later than the 15th September next. The work is chiefly earth-work, rick-work in the construction of sundry buildings in circular brick sewer, the construction of branch pipe-sewers, the supply of pipes for the unfiltered water-supply and enlargement of accommodation bridge, to ether with about 6 miles of 2 feet guaged railway and rolling stock.

The work is divided into six contracts, of which tenders are required for three at present.

| | Approximate cost. |
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| CONTRACT No. I | |
| Unfiltered water-supply to the suburbs chiefly for the supply of fitting and cast-iron pipes laid in place | Rs. 7,00,000 |
| CONTRACT No. II. | |
| Sewage outfall for city and suburbs chiefly bridges, earth-work, buildings for engine-houses and establishment and three sluices | 15,00,000 |
| CONTRACT No. IV. | |
| Sewer and branch sewers south of Tolly's Nullah | 4,50,000 |
| Total Rs. | 26,50,000 |

Specifications and forms of tender can be obtained from the Secretary of the Corporation on payment of Rs. 25 for each set of tenders.

A security deposit with the tenders will be required of Rs. 10,000 in the case of contract Nos. I and IV., and Rs. 25,000 in the case of contract No. II.

For further information apply to the Chief Engineer to the Corporation, Calcutta.

W. R. MACDONALD,
Secretary to the Corporation.

11th August, 1896

### NOTICE.

THE EMPRESS SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 30th June last of

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| Rs. | 24-8-0 | per share of Rs | 500 | paid up | | | |
| „ | 12-8-0 | „ | ½ | „ | 250 | „ | „ |
| „ | 6-4-0 | „ | ¼ | „ | 125 | „ | „ |
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free of Income Tax, WILL BE PAID, on application, on and after the 25th August, to Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on 28th instant.

GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Secretaries and Managers.

Bombay, July 29th, 1896.

### NOTICE.

THE LEOPOLD SPINNING, BLEACHING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 30th June last of Rs. 10 per Share, free of Income Tax, WILL BE PAID, on application, on and after the 25th August, to Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on 28th instant.

GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Secretaries, Managers, and Agents.

Bombay, July 29th, 1896.

### NOTICE.

THE JAMES GREAVES MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 30th June last of Rs. 25 per Share free of Income Tax, WILL BE PAID, on application, on and after the 25th August, to Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on 28th instant.

GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Secretaries, Managers, and Agents.

Bombay, July 29th, 1896.

### NOTICE.

THE CONNAUGHT MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 30th June last of Rs. 25 per Share on the Old Shares, and 12-8-0 per Share on the New Shares, free of Income Tax, WILL BE PAID, on application, on and after the 25th August, to Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on 28th instant.

GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, July 29th, 1896.

### NOTICE.

THE HOWARD AND BULLOUGH MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 30th June last of Rs. 25 per Share, free of Income Tax, WILL BE PAID, on application, on and after the 25th August, to Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on 28th instant.

GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, July 29th, 1896.

### NOTICE.

THE IMPERIAL COTTON MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 30th June last of Rs. 25 per Share, free of Income Tax, WILL BE PAID, on application, on and after the 25th August, to Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on 28th instant.

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Bombay, July 29th, 1896.

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MEMORIAL

TO THE LATE

SIR GEORGE CHESNEY, K.C.B., R.E., M.P.

A MEETING was held on the 24th April, at the ROYAL UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION, of some of the friends of the late Sir George Chesney, to consider the question of the commemoration of his distinguished services as Soldier, Administrator, Statesman, and Author. General Sir Henry Norman presided, and was supported by Field Marshals Sir Lintorn Simmons and Sir Donald Stewart, and other friends of Sir George Chesney. To carry out the object of the Meeting, a General Committee was formed, which included the gentlemen then present, and in addition, the Marquess of Lansdowne, Field Marshal Lord Roberts, General Sir George White, Sir Andrew Scoble, Sir Alfred Lyall, Sir H. S. King, Sir W. W. Hunter, Mr. Meredith Townsend, General Richard Strachey, Mr. William Blackwood, and others.

The form the Memorial should take was left for the future consideration of the Committee, as it would depend on the amount subscribed, but the suggestions tended towards a bust of Sir George for the India Office, and a medal for valuable contributions to Military Literature. It was resolved to limit each subscription to a maximum of three guineas.

Subscriptions will be received by Lieut.-General McLeod Innes, 9, Lexham Gardens, Cromwell Road, London, W.

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Summarised Statement of Affairs, Half-year ended 30th June, 1896.

LIABILITIES.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Capital paid-up | Rs. | 24,57,360 0 0 |
| Reserves and Rest | „ | 11,06,292 9 8 |
| Deposits | „ | 1,04,06,910 7 10 |
| Bills and Acceptances | „ | 5,86,358 11 2 |
| Sundries | „ | 1,09,026 13 3 |
| Total | Rs. | 1,46,65,948 12 11 |

ASSETS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash | Rs. | 21,84,516 2 4 |
| Loans, Bills and Advances | „ | 1,14,95,568 11 5 |
| Government and other Authorised Securities | „ | 4,30,622 14 4 |
| Properties and Dead Stock | „ | 2,32,936 3 7 |
| Bills Contra, and Sundries | „ | 322,304 13 3 |
| Total | Rs. | 1,46,65,948 12 11 |

N.B.—Fixed Deposits received at 4½ per cent. per annum for 12 months, and at 4 per cent. for 9 months.

By Order of the Board,

F. D. STRANACK,
Manager.

Bombay, 1st July, 1896.

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Paid up Capital | $ | 100,00,000 |
| Reserve Fund | $ | 57,50,000 |
| Reserve Liability of Proprietors | $ | 100,00,000 |

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| PAID UP CAPITAL..... | „ | 4,500,000 = | „ 9,000,000 |
| RESERVE FUND..... | „ | 4,130,000 = | „ 8,260,000 |

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| PAID-UP CAPITAL | ..... £500,000 |
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| INDIAN BANKS. | | | | 10 p. c. } | |
| Bank of Bombay | 80,000 | 800 | all | 1 bon. } | 1,427½ |
| Bank of Bengal | 40,000 | 500 | all | 10 pr. ct | 1,345xd |
| Bank of Madras | 10,000 | 500 | all | 10 pr. ct. | 1,300xd |
| Commercial & Ld. Mge .... | {10,000 / 15,000} | 100 | {100 / 75} | 10. r.o. | 167 |
| EXCHANGE BANKS. | | | | | |
| Agra ..... | 100,000 | £10 | all | 5 pr. ct. | 80 |
| Charter Bank ... | 40,000 | £20 | £10 | 7 pr. ct. | £27 |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation .... | 80,000 | $125 | all | £1-5s. | £44 |
| National Bank of India ..... | 40,000 | £25 | £12½ | 6 pr. ct. | 300 |
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| Alliance ..... | 1,500 | 1,100 | all | | 740 |
| Anglo-Indian ... | 1,345 | | 100 | Nil | 69 |
| Ariranghad S. & M. Co. Ld. | 680 | 1,000 | 1,000 | — | 1,000 |
| Barsi S & W Co. Ld (Belsey) ..... | 871 | 60 | all | 9 per ct. | 290 |
| Bombay Unitd. ..... | 900 | 1,000 | 1,000 | dvdRs.40 | 870 |
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| Dhun Mills .... | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 50 | 610 |
| Empress ..... | 2,100 | 800 | 800 | dvd 25 | 680 |
| Framjee Petit. | 1,250 | 1,000 | 1,000 | dvdRs.30 | 825 |
| Hindustan .... | 875 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 30 | 730 |
| Hutchingbat Mills ..... | 700 | 800 | 800 | 40 | 660 |
| Howard and Bullomba .... | 1,500 | 800 | 800 | 25 | 770 |
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| Hyderabad ..... | 700 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 40 | 1,600 |
| Imperial Cotton | 900 | 800 | 800 | dvdRs.15 | 900 |
| Indian Manfg.. | 900 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 50 | 1,265 |
| India-China Manufacturing Co., Ld .. | 700 | 1,000 | 1,000 | dvdRs.30 | 875 |
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| Sun Mills, Ld. | 1,800 | 250 | 250 | dvRs 12½ | 380 |
| Standard Mills Co. ..... | 1,000 | 500 | 500 | 25 | 450 |
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| Mercantile .... | 1,000 | 125 | 125 | dvd Rs 4 | 95 |
| Mofussil Co .... | 5,125 | 100 | 400 | Nil | 380 |
| Munmar M..... | 1,000 | 250 | all | 15 | 215 |
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| Sabapathy (Bellary) .... | 500 | 500 | 75 | 20 | 380 |
| Sassoon ..... | 300 | 500 | 500 | 20 | 685 |
| Steel and Punjab Co ..... | 100 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 200 | 2,250 |
| Sind ..... | 400 | 2,000 | 750 | 50 | 540 |
| Sorab Woollen Mills ..... | 1,200 | 250 | 250 | Nil | 87 |
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| Bombay bar Gold ..... | " 26-6 | |
| Sovereigns ..... | " 17-2 | |
| Do. Dracons ..... | " 17 | |
| Silver ..... | " 93-2 | |
| Do. ..... | " 93-4 | |

# BOMBAY.

## TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 5h. 44m. Sun sets, 6h. 20m. High water, 0-18m, 0-33a. Low water, 6-1m, 6-28a.
Messrs. Kemp and Co., annual meeting, Armenian Lane, 4 p.m.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamers Horndale and Stoczenfels entered the dock on Saturday, the steamer Horatio on Sunday, and the steamer Sutlej yesterday; the steamer Nevassa left it yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamer Mazagon entered, and the steamer Scindia left the dock yesterday.

POLO.—There will be a game, this afternoon, at 4-45 p.m., punctually.

Y. M. C. A., GRANT ROAD BRANCH.—A social meeting will be held at the Rooms, to-night, at 8-30 o'clock, to welcome C. Douglas Green, the newly appointed chairman.

ROBBED AT THE COCOANUT FAIR.—Haji Mahomed Hoosein, residing at Oomercarry, has reported to the police that, while he was at the cocoanut fair on the Esplanade, on Saturday last, some one picked his pocket of a purse, containing currency notes and cash, of the aggregate value of Rs. 64.

THEFT ON BOARD A STEAMER AT PORT SAID.—Mr. W. Graham, Chief Engineer of the steam-ship Okhla, has reported to the police that, on or about the 1st instant, while his vessel was at Port Said, his cabin was entered and £31 were stolen from a drawer. The theft was reported to the police eight days after the vessel had arrived in the Bombay harbour.

YOUNG MEN'S TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION.—The Young Men's Temperance Association's gathering took place on Saturday, at the association's room, in Kandewady. Mr. M. M. Kanoba, the secretary of the association, with the assistance of two of the members of the association, managed the affairs very nicely.

A PROTRACTED FAST.—In honour of the Maharaj Hirarukhji having observed thirty-one fasts, thousands of Jains attended the Chinchpokli Jaindharam Schank, on Sunday, being the last day of the fast, to perform religious ceremonies. Free railway tickets from Victoria Terminus and Masjid to Chinchpokli and back were provided to all the Jains attending the ceremony by Messrs. Lalji Chapsi Bhara and Muddonji Jootha. Many cows and other animals and birds were relieved from being slaughtered out of the funds collected at the Chinchpokli Jaindharam Schank and sent to the Pinjrapole.

A SERIES OF CRIMES.—Yesterday, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. P. H. Dustur, Acting Third Presidency Magistrate, Bhimji Gocul, who pretended to be a dealer in gold and silver ornaments, was brought up on a charge of theft of ornaments, valued at Rs. 408, belonging to Ladkabai, a Hindu woman, and also on a charge of criminal breach of trust in respect of gold ornaments, valued at Rs. 300, and belonging to Jadowji Goculdas. The accused had made it his profession to cheat people by taking their ornaments for sale and never returning money for the same, but pawning the articles and appropriating the proceeds. He was found guilty, and sentenced to an accumulated term of ten months.

BHAVNAGAR NEWS.—Our Bhavnagar correspondent, writing on Sunday, says:—A match was played between Ghadechi and Wadhwan Gymkhanas, resulting in a win for the former by ten wickets. In the first innings Ghadechi scored 173, to which S. D. Grant contributed 50. Mr. Grant is a first class bat, with a splendid style, while Mr. N. Bharucha is a good medium pace bowler.—Cholera has died out here, but remittent fever has taken its place in an epidemic form.—There has been a break in the weather in the past four days here. There is no rain. Sunshine is much needed, and another week or even more without rain will be quite welcome, for the crops which were almost damaged by the incessant rain will be improved.

THE WEATHER AT SEA.—The P. and O. Co.'s mail steamer Sutlej, Captain A. Symons, which arrived in harbour, on Sunday evening, from Aden, experienced light monsoon long swell, no sea, cloudy at times, but no rain and very heavy dew at night. —The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s. s. Dumra, Captain E. C. Russell, came here, on Sunday evening, from Karachi, and met with moderate monsoon to Dwarka, thence fresh monsoon to Diu, and then moderate to Bombay with strong south-west swell.—The Wilson Line s. s. Horatio, Captain H. J. Wise, which reached here, on Sunday, from Karachi, met with fine weather, horizon hazy, and wind westerly with heavy south-west swell.

FATAL TRAM CAR ACCIDENT.—About half-past 4 o'clock, on Sunday afternoon, a Mahomedan mendicant woman, named Sultina, aged fifty-one years, having no fixed place of residence, was crossing the Grant Road, when she was accidentally knocked down by a tram car, No. 118, and before the driver could put up the brake, one of the wheels passed over her, causing a fracture of the collar bone and severe internal shock. She was conveyed to the J. J. Hospital, where she died a couple of hours afterwards. No blame could be attached to the driver of the car, who did his best to avoid the accident. Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquiry, yesterday morning, at the J. J. Hospital, on view of the body of the deceased, when the jury brought in a verdict of accidental death.

MADAME BOOTH'S ENTERTAINMENT.—Sydney Grundy's farcical comedy, "Mamma," is to be produced at the Tivoli Theatre, on Thursday and Friday next. Most of the characters will be undertaken by members of a well-known club. "Jack Pontifex" will be represented by a gentleman who is at present a stranger to us, and to those who have only known Madame Barton-Booth as a Shakespearian reciter, it may come as a surprise that she will not only stage-manage the piece, but play the principal female character. From "Lady Macbeth," "Rosalind," and "Portia" to "Mrs. Jannaway" is a far cry, but the lady's versatality is well known, and as the ex-ballet dancer she has been received from Jamaica to Calcutta and Yokohama with the greatest enthusiasm, and we are certain that it will be well worth paving a visit on the nights on which "Mamma" will be represented.

AN OLD OFFENDER.—Before Mr. F. S. Taleyarkhan Acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Karrimbux Ramjan, a Mahomedan, against whom stood a previous conviction, was charged at the instance of Constable Mitchel with theft of twenty-five cotton sarees, of the collective value of Rs. 53, belonging to Karrim Haji Yarmahomed, a dealer in sarees, residing at the 6th Cross Lane, Falkland Road. During the night of the 19th instant, while the complainant was lying asleep in his room, accused entered the place through the door, which had been left open, and carried away a bundle, containing fifty-three sarees. On the following morning accused was going along the Parel Road, Byculla, with the bundle on his head, when a townsman arrested him on suspicion, and handed him over to the police. Upon an inquiry the police ascertained that accused stole the sarees from the complainant's house during the night. Accused pleaded guilty to the charge, and also admitted one previous conviction. His Worship sentenced him to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTHDAY OF THE ISLAM PROPHET.—Last Sunday being the festival of the Mahomedans in connection with the birth of their Prophet, writes a Mahomedan correspondent, a large number of Sunni Mahomedans closed their business, and proceeded to Mahim to pay their respects to the Holy Hair, i.e., Mooi-Mubarak Sharief, of Prophet Mahomed, M. O. P. H.) At 1 p.m., the sacred hair of the Prophet was placed in a palki and carried in procession with a Nishane Rifaiya, and Maulad was read by Arabs throughout the route, and a large number of Mahomedans followed with it. The procession left from Waize Wada, via Lady Jamsetji Road, to the tomb of Huzrat Fazehali Macdum Saheb, and returned, via Custom Road, Bazaar Road, to the mosque of Waize Wada. The sacred hair was kept out in the same mosque for worship. All the people paid their divine homage. At 5 p.m., after reciting Fateha prayers, sweetmeat was distributed, and the ceremonies came to an end. Praise is due to Shamsudin Mahomed Ebrahim Penker for the arrangements he had made for conducting the ceremony with befitting solemnity and order. The police took great care to prevent a crush. Among those who took part were Nawab Syed Shamsudin Ali Khan Bahadoor, Nawab Syed Sirdar Ali Khan, the former being the brother, and the latter son of the late Sirdar Diler-ul-Mulk Bahadoor, C.I.E., and Syed Gulam Mahomed Rafai, Kazi Mohare, and many other respectable Mohamedens, Kokni, Dukni, Memons, Africans, Hindustani, and all other people of the jamats of Sunni sects.

THEFTS AT THE MOOS BUILDINGS, GRANT ROAD.—During the last couple of months several thefts have been committed in the Moos Buildings, Grant Road, and no offenders could be traced. The residents set watch on the premises, and eventually their suspicion fell on two persons, whom they noticed sitting under the archway of the buildings every evening. On the 18th instant one of the residents wrote an annonymous letter to Constable Mitchel, informing him of the thefts, and the persons whom they suspected as thieves. In accordance with the information contained in the letter, Mr. Mitchel proceeded to the Moos Buildings the same evening, and saw both the "suspected" sitting under the archway. The Constable arrested one of the men, but the other escaped. The arrested man, whose name is Badoo Sadooba, and who turned out to be an old offender, made a statement and took the police to the shops of the several Marwarees with whom he had pledged the stolen property. The police recovered from these Marwarees copper and brass vessels, articles of wearing apparel, umbrellas, a watch and chain, &c., of the aggregate value of Rs. 60. The police conveyed these articles to the Moos Buildings, where they were identified by their several owners, amongst whom were Shivram Rama, a compounder in the employ of Dr. Marret, Rajoo, an ayah in the service of Mr. Cummings, Byram Dinshah, and others, all residing in the Moos Buildings. At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Constable Mitchel charged the accused, Badoo Sadooba, before Mr. F. S. Taleyarkhan, Acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, with three counts of thefts of the property above stated. After the evidence of witnesses had been recorded, Mr. Mitchel informed his Worship that the accused had once been sent to jail, whence he was discharged only about two months ago, after serving out a sentence of six months' rigorous imprisonment, and that ever since his discharge from the jail he had been robbing people residing in the Moos Buildings, Grant Road. The magistrate sentenced the accused to an accumulated term of one year's imprisonment with hard labour.

## THE SASSOON SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY.

AN extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of the company was held, yesterday, to consider the subject of the following circular, which had previously been distributed among the shareholders. Mr. S. M. Moses presided:—

"With the view of participating to a larger extent than hitherto in the extensive demand that exists for yarn in China and India (and looking to the future, probably also for other markets), your directors consider it advisable for your interests to increase the productive power of your mill by the addition of about 15,000 spindles. At the same time it is proposed that the old engines which are not working economically, and are now strained to their full capacity, shall be replaced by new and more powerful ones, embracing such improvements as shall be economical in working. In order, therefore, to carry out these proposals the directors will submit the following resolution at the extraordinary general meeting to be held at the registered office of the company, on Monday, the 24th of August, 1896, at 3 p.m., for your consideration and acceptance:—(1) That the board be authorized to extend the mill by the erection of such new buildings and tank, and (or) the alteration of such existing buildings and tanks and to provide such new engines, boilers, machinery, and gearing as the board may think advisable (2) That the board be authorized to increase the capital of the company to twenty-two and a-half lakhs of rupees (22,50,000) by the creation of 1,500 new shares of rupees five hundred each, to be called "B shares," which B shares shall in the first instance be offered by the board to the shareholders of the company on the register on the 14th September 1896, in the proportion of one of such "B shares" for every old share held on that date with the option to accept by 30th September 1896 the B shares so offered or any less number thereof, the residue of the "B shares" not so applied for and taken up to be disposed of as the board may think fit. (3) That on such increase of capital being made by shabash a lakh per share of the memorandum and the 4th article of association of the company be modified as follows:—viz., for the figure "15" substitute "22½," and after the word "each" insert "and 1,500 shares of Rs. 500 each to be called B shares" in such 5th para. and 4th article, respectively. (4) That the articles of association of the company be amended as follows, viz:—in article 71 omit the words "and" for the last 13 words: "But no shareholder who has not been so registered and continued up to the date of such meeting to be still registered as the holder of shares of the nominal value of at least Rs. 1,000, shall be entitled to vote at such meetings, and if so entitled, he shall have one vote in respect of every share or shares of the nominal value of Rs. 1,000 of which he has been, and has continued to be, the registered holder as aforesaid." In article 81 for the words "five shares" substitute "shares of the nominal value of Rs. 5,000." In article 135 between the words "in proportion to" and "their shares" in both places in which they occur, insert "the nominal amount of," and add at end "Provided that the B shares shall not be entitled to share in any dividends to be declared out of profits earned for a period interior to 1st January 1897."

The chairman, in opening the business of the meeting, said: Gentlemen,—We have called you together to lay before you, for your consideration and acceptance, a resolution for the proposed extension of our mills. The idea which prompted your directors to take this step was owing to enquiry for our yarn increasing, and owing to our not being able to keep pace with the demand. We have, therefore, resolved to add about 15,000 spindles, principally of rings, to our present 54,000 spindles; at the same time to take the opportunity of replacing our old engines (which have worked satisfactorily for 20 years) with new ones of the latest improvements, together with high pressure boilers. It is estimated that a saving of about Rs. 1,000 per month will thus be made in coals. In order to carry out our intention we have resolved to raise our capital by 7½ lakhs by the issue of 1,500 B shares of Rs. 500 each, giving the option to the present shareholders to apply for one new share for every old share they hold which will be allotted to them at par value. We have arranged that the calls be so made as that the due date will fall about the 31st December next, in order to allow the shareholders of B shares to participate in the profits of our mills from the 1st January next. I have to point out to you that we have a vacant space in our compound for further extension, so that we will not be put to anything for the land. The same engines will work the new spindles, the same overlookers will supervise them, and I may add the same markets will consume our yarn. We have, moreover, engaged the services of an efficient mill manager, under whose superintendence we hope our mill will continue to prosper. You are aware, gentlemen, that cotton has risen in value considerably of late, but you will be pleased to hear that we have secured our cotton till the end of December, at very reasonable rates, before the advance took place. With these remarks I beg to propose the resolution. (Applause.)

Mr. J. A. Judah seconded the resolution. Three native shareholders having put certain questions to the chairman regarding the machinery, the power, the outturn, and the profits of the mill, the resolution was put to the meeting and passed by a large majority. The proceedings terminated with the customary compliment to the chairman.

## CRICKET.

### THE PRABHOO C. C. VS. YOUNG NATIVE C. C.

The result of the match between the above club and the Young Native C. C., played on Sunday, is as follows:—

PRABHOO CRICKET CLUB.

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| M M Talpade, run out ..... | 6 |
| G A Jayaker, c Pal, b K Kirtiker ..... | 6 |
| V H Jayaker, run out ..... | 0 |
| S J Kothare, run out ..... | 32 |
| V B Kirtiker, b K Kirtiker ..... | 3 |
| A Vinayek, b M H Kirtiker ..... | 0 |
| K V Agaskar (capt), not out ..... | 23 |
| V B Rane, c Pal, b Trilokeker ..... | 0 |
| K V Desai, st Pal, b Trilokeker ..... | 2 |
| A D Rane, b K Kirtiker ..... | 10 |
| N K Kirtiker, b K Kirtiker ..... | 0 |
| Extras ..... | 11 |
| Total ..... | 95 |

YOUNG NATIVE C. CLUB.

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| G S Relker, run out ..... | 7 |
| G D Rane, c Talpade, b Kothare ..... | 2 |
| K R Kirtiker, c V Rane, b V Kirtiker ..... | 15 |
| V H Kirtiker, b Kothare ..... | 0 |
| K D Pal, c Agaskar, b Kothare ..... | 18 |
| C S Trilokeker, c Vinayek, b Agaskar ..... | 7 |
| R V Patel, not out ..... | 11 |
| M R Kirtiker, c A Rane, b Agaskar ..... | 5 |
| A R Ranjit (Capt), run out ..... | 3 |
| V G Dhairyavan, run out ..... | 3 |
| M H Kirtiker, c N Kirtiker, b Agaskar ..... | 2 |
| Extras ..... | 9 |
| Total ..... | 82 |

### PERSIAN CLUB VS. BARONET C. CLUB.

The Persian Club carried out their fourth fixture of the season with the Baronet Club on Sunday, and scored a victory by 23 runs. The team that opposed them was but a skeleton of the usual side, and it would have been a wonder had the result been a different one. The old ones won the toss and batted first. 111 runs being the result of their venture. Of these Dubash (32) Billimoria and Bharucha (18 each) and Arjani (12) were responsible for 70 runs, the rest of the side making a poor show. The visitors had one good trundler, Jasavala to wit, and he fully acted up to anticipations by taking six wickets for 35 runs. Guzdar commenced the Baronet innings with a leg-hit for 5, but lost Baxter l-b-w the next ball. On Colabawalla joining him, however, the score was helped to the tune of 50 runs, when Guzdar being somewhat disabled, lost his wicket after scoring a vigorous 27. Wadia joined the colt, and 20 runs were again added in quick time, and when the third wicket, the colt's (for 25) fell for 73, the home team began to be anxious, and pulled up well together, with the result that, after the unfortunate error of Wadia to run himself out when quite at home, no one seemed able to withstand Chinoy's attack, and the innings closed for 83. Wadia's score of 25 consisted of one six, one four, four threes, one two, and a single, and it was hard lines for his side to lose his services at a critical time. The Persian bowling and fielding was very close, and Arya (four wickets for 29 runs) and Chinoy (5 for 14) formed the backbone of the attack.

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## HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE BUDRUDIN TYABJEE.)

### THE ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN COURT.

DR. K. N. BAHADURJEE AND ANOTHER VS. THE ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE plaintiffs in this case are Dr. K. N. Bahadurjee and Dwarkadas Dharamsey, while the defendants are Messrs. Fazulbhoy Visram, Gordhandas Khatau, the Hon. Mr. Javerilal U. Yajnik, Dr. Cowasjee Hormusjee, Messrs S. N. Moses, and W. M. Macaulay, directors of the company, and the company itself. The suit was brought to have it declared that the threatened payment or distribution among the shareholders of the company of a sum of Rs. 15,000 is "ultra vires" and illegal, and contrary to the memorandum and articles of association and a violation of the rights of the plaintiffs and other policy-holders in the company; that the director-defendants might be restrained from paying or distributing among the shareholders, the sum of Rs. 15,000; and in the alternative that the defendants might be decreed to repay to the company the amount that might be distributed among the shareholders as a dividend for 1894 in excess of the amount properly payable to them. The plaintiffs prayed further that the first two defendants might be decreed to pay the sums improperly paid away to shareholders as dividends during the years 1893 and 1894 for the years 1892 and 1893, respectively, &c. Mr. Scott and Mr. Russell, instructed by Messrs. Bhaishunker and Kanga, appeared for the plaintiffs; the Hon. Mr. Lang and Mr. Macpherson, instructed by Messrs. Ardasir, Hormusjee, and Dinshaw, appeared for the directors, and Mr. Branson and Mr. Rivett-Carnac, instructed by the same solicitors, appeared for the company.

Mr. Russell, in opening the case for the plaintiffs, read the plaint, which stated among other things, The first plaintiff is a policy-holder in the company, the date of his policy being the 14th day of October, 1889, and the amount of Rs. 30,000. He sued on behalf of himself and all the other policy-holders of the company. The second plaintiff is a shareholder and a policy-holder of the company, the date of his policy being the 2nd day of August, 1893, and the amount, Rs 10,000. He sues on behalf of himself and all other shareholders and policy-holders of the company. The defendants are the directors of the company. The plaintiffs say that the last triennial valuation of the assets and liabilities of the company contemplated by article 126, was made as of the date 31st December 1891, when the actuary employed found that the assets exceeded the liabilities by the sum of Rs. 320,305. At a meeting of the company held on the 1st day of May, 1893, the members decided that the amount of profits realised was Rs. 320,305, and that Rs. 50,000 thereout should be applied to the formation of a reserve fund. The policy-holders were then entitled to nine-tenths of the profits after deduction of Rs. 50,000, under article 124, leaving Rs. 27,030 as. 8 to be dealt with under the other articles of association. The plaintiffs submit that, on a true construction of the articles, the large sum available for bonus to themselves was Rs. 27,030-8-0, but the plaintiffs also submit that that sum was not available for bonus until the directors had set aside as a reserve fund a sum equal to not less than one-third of the profits, namely, Rs. 1,00,708. The director, however, did not set aside to reserve the said amount, but paid away to the shareholders Rs. 15,000 in the year 1893, and Rs. 15,000 in the year 1894 for the years 1892 and 1893, respectively, and the first six defendants have in their annual reports for 1894 stated that the dividend for the year 1894 will be the same as in the previous two years, namely, Rs. 15,000. There are no funds available to pay the said Rs. 15,000 for the year 1894 in any view of the case, even after allowing for Rs. 6,000, which the defendants have resolved to take out of the reserve fund for the purpose; and the plaintiffs submit that such payment, if made, will have to be made out of moneys to which the policy-holders are interested, and that such payment is "ultra vires" and a direct violation of the constitution of the company, on the faith of which the plaintiffs and other policy-holders have taken out their policies in the company. The plaintiffs also contend that no sum could be available for bonus or dividend to members of company, until one-third of the profits for each of the proceeding periods of three years prior the three years ending the 1st January 1893 had been set aside as a reserve fund. The one-third of the profits has never been so set aside, and the reserve fund now only amounts to Rs. 110,000. In fact the directors of the company have, ever since its formation, been paying away to the shareholders moneys that they were not entitled to pay to them, but having regard to the fact that the present directors are not the same individuals as formerly constituted the board of directors, the plaintiffs are advised that they cannot join in this suit, the cause of action arising from such previous illegal and "ultra vires" payments. The defendants threaten and have announced their intention to distribute to the shareholders Rs. 15,000, on and after the 30th day of September, 1895, and they will do so if not restrained by injunction. The members of the company on the 23rd day of September, 1895, passed a resolution, sanctioning the payment of amongst themselves of the said Rs. 15,000, but the plaintiffs say that the articles of association do not contemplate the shareholders having any such power. Mr. Russell, after reading the plaint, stated that the total profit made from the commencement of the company up to the end of 1891, amounted to Rs. 7,04,256, of which three-fourths ought to have been set apart as reserve fund, which would then have amounted to Rs. 2,34,752, instead of which it now amounts to only Rs. 1,10,000. It was admitted that the amount distributable among the shareholders on this principle would have only amounted to Rs. 46,950, instead of which they had actually been paid in dividends Rs. 1,61,823; or with the amount proposed to be paid for 1894, the sum of Rs. 1,76,823, whereas the paid-up capital is only Rs. 1,50,000. According to the resolutions passed by the company for the three years ending 1891, the amount distributable among the shareholders was Rs. 27,000, which, with the Rs. 6,000 taken from the reserve fund, would amount to Rs. 33,000. Of this amount, Rs. 30,000 had been paid as dividend for 1892-93, having only Rs. 3,000 for a dividend for 1894, whereas the directors now proposed to pay as a dividend the sum of Rs. 15,000.

Mr. Russell then read the written statement of the director-defendants, which stated among other things, The defendants say that the relief claimed in plaint is not in respect of the same matters as that in respect of which the relief claimed in the other clauses of the prayer is sought, and that accordingly there is in the plaint a misjoinder of causes of action. Without waiving the contentions above stated, the defendants deny that the payment and distribution among the shareholders of the company of Rs. 15,000 is "ultra vires" or illegal or contrary to the memorandum and articles of association of the company

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# COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

SATURDAY EVENING, AUG. 24.

THE latest telegraphic news through Reuter calling for notice in this column was chronicled in our Report under Saturday evening's date; and we now give below our usual weekly comparative Statement of the movement of Cotton.

The American Crop figures to date give the following comparisons with the two previous seasons:—

| | 1896. | 1895. | 1894. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Week's receipts | 37,000 | 2,000 | 11,000 |
| " Exports to U. Kingdom. | 11,000 | 4,000 | 11,000 |
| " Continent | 5,000 | 4,000 | 15,000 |
| Total receipts since 1st Sept. | 5,222,000 | 7,912,000 | 5,881,000 |
| " exports to U. K. do. | 2,276,000 | 3,462,000 | 2,853,000 |
| " " to Continent do. | 2,252,000 | 3,295,000 | 2,327,000 |
| " Stock in the Ports | 150,000 | 293,000 | 166,000 |

The total Visible Supply of Cotton for all Europe, on the 21st inst., affords the following comparisons with the two previous years:—

| | 1896. | 1895. | 1894. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total supply of all kinds | 1,380,000 | 2,484,740 | 2,046,810 |
| " " Surats | 182,000 | 163,630 | 218,950 |

For the United Kingdom only the figures are:—

| | 1896. | 1895. | 1894. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Stock in Liverpool | 549,000 | 1,275,970 | 1,063,450 |
| " London | 3,000 | 11,000 | 9,700 |
| American Afloat | 20,000 | 18,000 | 20,500 |
| East Indian " | 3,000 | 15,000 | 12,110 |
| Total | 5,85,000 | 1,319,970 | 1,105,760 |
| Price of Mid.-Americans | 4 17-32d. | 4 1-16d. | 3 27-32d. |
| " Good Dhollera | 3 21-32d. | 3 3-16d. | 3d. |
| Difference | 7-8d. | 7-8d. | 27-32d. |

The Bank of Bombay return for the week ending, on Saturday, shows the following changes:—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Public Deposits at the Head Office | Dec. | Rs. | 9,42,703 |
| " " Branches | Dec. | " | 64,224 |
| Other | Dec. | " | 22,90,591 |
| Government Securities | Inc. | " | 53,098 |
| Other authorised " | Equal. | | |
| Loans | Dec. | " | 6,44,277 |
| Bills Discounted and Purchased | Dec. | " | 5,49,916 |
| Balances with other Banks | Inc. | " | 23,118 |
| Cash | Dec. | " | 21,64,181 |

Although, upon the whole, there was only a slight enquiry for monetary accommodation, during the period covered by the Statement of Affairs of the Presidency Bank issued to-day, and the market remained easy, the Banks' Cash Balance on Friday evening (when the Bank closed for the *Cocoanut-day* holiday) showed a diminution of over 21¼ lakhs, at 237 lakhs. This was brought about by an increase of nearly 11 lakhs in trade requirements, and a decrease in the aggregate of 10 lakhs in Government Deposits at the Banks' head office and branches; withdrawals from Private Deposits to the amount of some 23 lakhs, counterbalanced to the extent of nearly 12 lakhs by a material decreass in both Loans and Bills Discounted, having been the items contributing to the altered position of the trade demand which at the close of the previous week showed a falling off of 15¼ lakhs.

COTTON.—A large business has again been done here in this staple to-day by exporters, whose purchases sum up 2,300 bales, consisting of 700 Dhollera, at 195-205; 600 Bengal, at Rs. 171-84; 500 Dhulia, at Rs. 182-84; 300 Khangaum, at Rs. 192; and 200 Raichore, at Rs. 188; while the Mills have taken 1,000 bales from stock, made up of 400 Dhulia, at Rs. 175-84; and 200 each of Amni at Rs. 176; Chaliagaum, at Rs. 178; and 200 Julgaum, at Rs. 187-8 per candy. The market has remained steady in tone; but without any further change in prices.

The rainfall over the Cotton area from the date of the last official advises by wire up to the despatch of the telegrams from the districts this morning, only exceeded an inch at Cawnpore and Julgaum in the Bengal and Oomrawuttee districts, respectively; and reports of the growing Cotton crop are, upon the whole, decidedly favourable. At Delhi and Agra, in the Bengal circle, however, the plants required more rain; but in the other districts of the same circle the crop was flourishing as it was also in all the districts of the Oomrawuttee circle, though a break in the weather was needed at Julgaum. At Broach, the weather had become bright and seasonable; also at Wudwan in the Dhollera circle, and the Cotton plants were flourishing there and in all the others districts of the same circle. A break was needed at Hubli in the Dharwar circle. Drought continued at Bellary in Madras, where only some two inches of rain had been registered since the 1st of June.

WHEAT and SEEDS have both been in moderate request to-day by shippers, the tone of both markets having been steady, and the only movement in prices has been a decline of half-an-anna in the price of *Linseed*, at Rs. 6-10-6 to Rs. 6-12-6 per cwt.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay on Saturday were as follows:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Cotton | 921 bales. |
| Wheat | 9,514 cwts. |
| Linseed | 710 " |
| Rapeseed | 1,243 " |
| Castorseed | 2,398 " |

FREIGHTS are steady. Business for Antwerp, Dunkirk, Genoa, and Hamburg has been reported to-day at 6s. 3d. per ton, to a moderate extent.

EXCHANGE on the Banks re-opening to-day after the *Cocoanut-day* holiday, was quiet, at 1s. 2 1-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s 2 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits. Only a very trifling business has been reported, Merchants' Bills having been scarce, and no demand having been felt for Bank remittance. Rates give way 1-32d. during the morning, and the market closed quiet as follows:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Bank Bills on Demand | 1s. 2d. | per rupee |
| Do. Telegraphic | 1s. 2d. | do. |
| Do. 3 months' sight | 1s. 2 1-32d. | do. |
| Credits do. | 1s. 2 3-32d. | do. |
| Francs do. | 1'48¾ | do. |

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—This market re-opened at 109 5-16 for 3½ per Cents for cash, and 109½ for the coming settlement, and was steady at those rates until near the close, when an advance of 1-16 per cent. was estatlished in both positions. In Three per Cents, 104¼ has been the quotation.

SHARES.—This market has been very quiet on re-opening to-day, and the only changes in our list this evening are a decline of Rs. 10, in Manocjee Petit; of Rs. 7½, in Sun; and of Rs. 5, in David, at our revised quotation.

## THE BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE following is the Statement of the Affairs of the Bank of Bombay, for the week ending 21st August, compared with the Statement of 15th August, 1896:—

| | Aug. 15. | Aug 21. |
|---|---|---|
| LIABILITIES. | Rs. | Rs. |
| Capital | 1,00,00,000 | 1,00,00,000 |
| Reserve Fund | 60,00,000 | 60,00,000 |
| Public Deposits at Head Office | 58,54,805 | 49,12,103 |
| Do. do. at Branches | 21,07,245 | 20,43,011 |
| Other Deposits | 4,15,71,558 | 3,92,80,987 |
| Post Bills | 6,882 | 6,641 |
| Credits, undrawn | 32,50,894 | 33,14,513 |
| Rs. | 6 87,91,175 | 6,54,57,255 |
| ASSETS. | | |
| Government Securities | 1,41,18,774 | 1,41,74,872 |
| Other authorised Securities | 40,82,615 | 40,82,615 |
| Credits, on Govt. and other authorised Securities | 67,65,208 | 67,10,588 |
| Loans do. do. | 74,17,133 | 67,72,816 |
| Bills Discounted and purchased | 96,42,074 | 90,92,108 |
| Dead Stock | 4,10,533 | 4,10,533 |
| Stamps and Stationery | 15,936 | 15,936 |
| Bullion | | |
| Balances with other Banks | 4,63,341 | 4,81,459 |
| Cash | 2,53,75,499 | 2,37,11,318 |
| Rs. | 6,87 91,175 | 6,54,57,255 |

## RAJPUTANA-MALWA RAILWAY.

(Includes the Rajputana, Holkar, Sindia, Neemuch, Rewari-Ferozepore and Cawapore-Achnera State Railways.
Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 8th August 1896, on 1,673·94 Miles open.

| | Coaching Traffic Receipts. | Merchandise and Miner's Traffic Receipts. | Other Earnings [estimated.] | Total Earnings. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. |
| Total traffic for the week | 1,16,000 | 1,10,000 | 4,000 | 2,30,000 |
| Or per mile of Railway | 69 | 63 | 2 | 137 |
| For previous 5 weeks of half-year. | 5,11,000 | 6,38,000 | 18,000 | 11,67,000 |
| Total for 6 weeks | 6,27,000 | 7,48,000 | 22,000 | 13,97,000 |
| Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year | 1,25,807 | 1,20,315 | 4,411 | 2,50,533 |
| Per mile of Ry do. | 75 | 72 | 3 | 150 |
| Total to corresponding date do. | 7,18,417 | 11,86,389 | 37,156 | 19,41,962 |

Decrease for the week .....Rs. 23,533
Ditto to date..... " 5,44,962

# DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

JENKINS—August 23, at Byculla, Bombay, the wife of William Jenkins, of a daughter.

DEATH.

LALLABAI—August 25, at 12-30 a.m., at his family residence, in Manoredas Street, Fort, Bombay, Lallabai, the only daughter of Mr. Tulsidas Keshavdas, aged 15 months. Deeply regretted.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

WHYTOCK—MURPHY—August 21, 1871, at Bangalore, by the Rev A Fentiman Wesleyan Mission, John Robertson Whytock, Madras Police Force, to Mary Murphy (widow) daughter of the late Joseph Howard, Nottingham, England and sister of Dr John Simpson Howard, I M S, Retired Northam, England. (Silver wedding).


# The Bombay Gazette

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1896.


MR. RHODES has scored very satisfactorily by the success of his diplomacy in arranging terms of capitulation with eight important Matabele Chiefs and two brothers of the late King Lobengula. Such a secession amongst the leading spirits of the rebels entrenched in the Motoppo Hills, may be expected to lead to others and end the rebellion. But even the collapse of the rebellion will not appreciably diminish the disastrous state of things in Rhodesia which was the cause of the outbreak. Mr. Chamberlain has been frequently pressed—by Mr. J. M. Maclean amongst others—to send more troops into Rhodesia to protect the white settlers and restore order. He has consistently replied that the Government have offered to send General Carrington whatever troops may be required. But the military authorities in the country have declined to receive the reinforcements which were offered, on the ground that it would be impossible to supply them with the necessary food. When pressed further the avowal was made that at present all available means of transport are employed in the endeavour to get up provisions for the sustenance of the troops and the settlers before the setting in of the wet season in November, when the country will become inaccessible. The real meaning of this is made clear by Mr. J. S. Montagu, M.P., in a contribution to the current *Nineteenth Century*. In his view nature has never in any country and for so long a period set herself so resolutely to oppose the progress of civilisation—in other words, colonisation by the white race—as during the last eight months in South Africa. The rinderpest which has destroyed all but five per cent. of the bullocks employed in Rhodesia for the transport of ammunition and of food, precipitated rebellion by depriving the native races of one of their chief means of livelihood. Drought and locusts have aggravated the lot of whites and blacks alike almost beyond endurance by destroying the crops. While the food grown in the country perished, and it became essential to import supplies from without, the oxen used for drawing the wagons—in teams of sixteen to the wagon—either died or were slain to put an end to the pest, by putting an end to the animals on which it lives. It may well seem to the uncivilized native a barbarous and cruel and even wicked deed to add to the common calamity by slaying all cattle, sick and healthy. He was deaf to appeals to his intelligence, and there seems good reason to fear that no great effort was made to reconcile him to the sacrifice of the herds by which the tribes live and estimate their wealth, by offering compensation. The apparently wanton slaughter of their cattle, coming so soon after the confiscation of more than half their herds on the plea that the kine belonged to King Lobengula, and therefore belong to the Chartered Company which is his residuary legatee, drove them to desperation, and they rose in rebellion.

Unfortunately the suppression of the rebellion, whether by arms or by judicious palavar, will not put an end to the rinderpest. Mr. Montagu thinks that for the next year or two the real question will not turn on the native problem, but on the food and transport supply. In May last, when he was in Buluwayo, eggs were forty and fifty shillings a dozen, and a tin of preserved milk seven-and-six-pence. A penny loaf was sold for a shilling. Artisans were earning £1 a day. There is now no work for them and they are leaving the country. All building and business came to an end, the only paying trade being fighting, for 10s. a day and rations. Lord Grey and Mr. Rhodes decided to reduce the pay to 5s. a day and rations; there was dissatisfaction, threatened mutiny, and an exodus. We have only just heard of the serious insubordination among the 7th Hussars, at Mafeking. It was quite natural that when they learned that the "trade-union" rate in the fighting trade is 10s. and rations, they deemed it good business to refuse to turn out for a paltry shilling. Insubordination is in the air in Rhodesia, and especially at Mafeking. When the war is over there will not be even five shillings a day to be had, and unless the Chartered Company find the money to maintain the white settlers at the shareholders' expense, nearly the whole of them must leave Rhodesia. That, at all events, is Mr. Montagu's view of the present outlook. One thing seems certain, that no renewal of building or other work will be undertaken at the enormous cost of imported materials and labour under present conditions, seeing that the value of everything on the spot will fall to one-tenth of its fancy price when the railway is pushed on to Buluwayo. Oxen are no longer available for trekking or for any purpose. The attempt to use mules and donkeys is a failure. The oxen lived on the grass of the veldt; mules must have grain, which under present circumstances can only be brought in the wagons which they draw. But in the six hundred miles journey the mules will consume nearly as much as they can draw, which it must be borne in mind is only one-fourth or one-third of what the patient and powerful ox moved at two miles an hour. Donkeys do not require so much grain, but they require some. Energetic carriers have tried the plan of using up mules and donkeys, and either shooting or leaving them to perish on the way when they have given out and can go no further. That plan has the true local colour; it has been tried with more or less success by slave-dealers making their slaves carry ivory to the coast. But it has not been found to pay with mules and donkeys; they fall too soon, either from want of food or from diseases familiar to the country, which have rendered even Mr. Rhodes despondent about acclimatising horses in the territory that bears his name.

The question is asked by the writer who gives this gloomy forecast of the immediate future of Rhodesia, why Mr. Rhodes did not push on the construction of either or both of the railways. If the six hundred miles to Buluwayo was beyond the available resources, why was not the Beira railway completed, at all events to Fort Salisbury? No answer is given to this question by the writer. But it is not too cynical to suggest that Mr. Rhodes was far too busy in the latter half of last year in organising the delivery of Johannesburg and the Rand from Boer misrule, to be able to spare either time or capital for railway construction through wilds which will not pay a dividend for many years to come. Had the coup in the Transvaal succeeded the centre of activity would have been diverted from Mashonaland and Matabeleland for what is left of the present century. As the *Saturday Review* sagaciously observes, with reference to the profits made by gold mining in the Rand, there are great possibilities in £3,000,000 a year. The railways in Rhodesia could very well wait until the wealth of the Rand was available for the construction. But the "apple-cart was upset." Had that accident been foreseen; had it also been foreseen that Rhodesia would be visited by rinderpest and rebellion and locusts and drought, and that with the whole system of country—transport at an end, railways would have been of untold value, doubtless the contractor for the Mafeking-Buluwayo extension would have been offered in August last what he is offered now—a bonus of £200 for every mile which he lays down in a day. It is a little late, but better late than never. Mr. Montagu has faith in the railway, and even more in the personality of Mr. Rhodes, which in this crisis he believes to be worth more than the agricultural and mineral wealth of the whole country. "All nature has striven against him, and large masses of mankind—drought, locusts, pestilences and famines on the one side; raids, revolutions and revelations on the other." And he predicts that if "Rhodes, Unlimited" emerges successfully from his troubles, he will have won alone, and through his exertions, a country seven-fold larger than the United Kingdom in the face of nature and man. But while saying this the eulogist avows that in the case of Nature *vs.* the Chartered Company and Rhodes the odds just at present are on the plaintiff, though the verdict will be ultimately given for the defendants. A good deal will depend on the further developments expected in some quarters from the Committee of Inquiry which the House of Commons found time to appoint before going away to shoot grouse.

MR. ENTHOVEN'S report on the working of the Indian Factories Act in the Bombay Presidency for the past year was issued yesterday. He shows that there are in the Bombay Presidency 292 factories compared with 278 reported last year. Of these 124 are situated in the Town and Island of Bombay. The chief centres of power industry outside Bombay are Khandeish, which has 76 factories, Ahmedabad 14, and Hyderabad 19. Of these 292 factories, 164 work all the year round, and the remainder are seasonal. The cotton industry now employs 110,535 operatives in 219 factories. A grand total of 139,479 operatives are employed altogether, the Bombay factories claiming 94,048 out of this number. The general health of the operatives as compared with other working classes is shown to be satisfactory; indeed, if anything, it has improved, for while the number of adult operatives has increased, the number of children has diminished. And as regards the general condition of the operatives, that is also a matter which may be considered as satisfactory; for the earnings of mill-hands are more than equal to their necessities, and the only strike of any moment which occurred during the year had reference to the method of payment, not to the amount of the pay. Of 27,561 women employed, 26,686 are working in the cotton industry. As reelers they are usually given excellent accommodation, the Chief Inspector admits, but he has to make further objections to the galleries in which the reels are occasionally located. Want of space in many cases renders their removal impracticable; but the Medical Inspector takes a less unfavourable view of their condition than was expressed by the Chief Inspector in last year's report. Improvements have been made where possible both by adding roof ventilation and in affording sufficient means of escape in case of fire. The subject of mill ventilation is dealt with at very great length in the report. We are told that the ventilation in factories other than those connected with the cotton industry, gives no grounds for dissatisfaction. The Chief Inspector essays to explain how the question of improved ventilation for factories has been narrowed to the consideration of certain schemes relating to cotton mills only. From the reports of the District Collectors, it is to be inferred that where there are no cotton mills no cause exists for interference; and as regards the mills, the result of the experiments in Bombay is generally awaited. Two experiments have been taken in hand with a view to arrive at some satisfactory form of lateral opening for the admission of fresh air in the blow-rooms, card-rooms, and spinning-rooms. It is anticipated that, in addition, some mechanical contrivance will be necessary for the removal of the exhausted air and debris. Ventilating fans are already in use at the Empress Mills, Nagpur, and the Union Mills, Naigaum. There would, therefore, seem, in the opinion of Mr. Enthoven, to be little difficulty in procuring their general adoption. But this is a matter upon which experts are not agreed, and one in which Government interference might have an unsatisfactory effect if pressed with undue haste. Mr. Shore's system of lateral ventilation in mills is highly recommended, but by many experienced millmanagers it is pronounced inadequate. The Chief Inspector, however, is acting upon the advice of Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Waters, and in conjunction with the executive of the Millowners' Association. So long as he does that little harm will be done. But the subject is full of details which puzzle even the most experienced experts, and hurried operations might improve ventilation at the cost of the entire profits of a mill.

HAVING got over her internal troubles, Goa is now making an effort to make up lee-way. In another column will be found the translation of an official *Boletim* in which are notified the abolition of two taxes, and the intention of the Government to "promote the development of the industry of commerce of navigation." Recognising this as the principal source of public wealth, the Government offers a premium of thirty thousand rupees to the first firm which within eighteen months from the present date establishes a regular steamer service under the Portuguese flag between any ports and those of Goa, Marmagao, Damaun, and Diu. This premium is to be increased by fifty per cent. in case the service extends to other Portuguese ports besides those already referred to in Portuguese India, in case the firm is national. But, be it understood, the firm must first have established a regular navigation service before it receives the money, and must also at that time undertake to continue the same service for at least six years. Under these conditions we fear the sum of thirty thousand rupees will not prove very tempting. We are glad to see, however, that Goa is rising to her obligations, and recognises the necessity of removing taxes which fall directly on industry, and of encouraging its development. Far more likely to have a good effect than the offer to subsidise a steam-post service, is the offer of a premium of ten per cent. on the capital employed in factories that may be established within the State within the period of eighteen months, when the capital exceeds fifteen thousand rupees, inclusive of land, buildings and machinery. Other minor benefits are also to be conferred on traders, which will doubtless be fully appreciated by those concerned.

IN the House of Commons, on the 6th inst., the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs was asked what action the Government intend to take in fulfilment of their promise to consider the abolition of the status of slavery in Zanzibar, in view of the fact that Consul-General Hardinge has arrived in England. Mr. Curzon's reply was satisfactory as far as it went. Her Majesty's Government, he said, are already engaged in considering, in consultation with Mr. Hardinge, the best method of carrying out the pledges which they gave to the House earlier in the year. The Government was further asked, with reference to a statement that the matter will be dealt with when Mr. Hardinge "returns to Zanzibar in the autumn," whether that gentleman is not home on six months' leave. "I do not know the duration of his leave," was the somewhat singular answer of Mr. Curzon. Sir Charles Dilke, who has always an interest in this question, proposes to ask Mr. Curzon, whether an arrangement was made by the British East Africa Company, in February 1890, by which slaves escaping from their owners were to be pursued and brought back to their masters by the Company's police; and whether the Company declared in it that, in the case of fugitives taking refuge outside the Zanzibar dominions and under the British flag, villages affording asylum to fugitives would be attacked: and, what is the present position of the depot of runaway slaves at Fulladoyo. More than enough is made of East African slavery questions, and not one of the advocates of the suppression of slavery has the remotest idea of the probable consequences. The slaves are boudsmen in name only, but that is the fact they will not see.

A MOVEMENT is afoot in Melbourne to secure for the hospital nurses in that city a maximum of eight hours' work per day. If in Melbourne that provision is necessary, how much more in Bombay, where the climate is so enervating and the nurse's lot is certainly harder than in Australia or in England? Eighteen months ago complaints were made in the Victorian Parliament that the nurses were being overworked, and as the result of inquiries it was found they worked unnecessarily long hours, ranging from 10 to 15½ hours. The Legislative Assembly was so impressed with the injustice that it inserted a clause in the Factories and Shops Act Amendment Bill limiting the hours of labour to 168 hours in 21 days, or 8 hours a day, but as a hospital could not be called a "factory," the clause was struck out. In the Melbourne Hospital the day nurses work ten and a-half hours per day, and the night nurses ten. How long they work in Bombay varies according to the hospital, we believe; but remembering the observations of a lady correspondent, who interviewed a number of nurses for us a year ago, it would appear that there is room for the improvement of their condition. It is as necessary for the well-being of patient as of the nurse that she shall not work longer hours than are good for her. She must be at all times active and on the alert, or the patient will suffer. We would not recommend organised action on the part of the nurses, but we would suggest to those interested in hospital management, and who wish to see still better results of hospital treatment, a

# TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

## SURRENDER OF MATABELE CHIEFS.

LONDON, AUG. 23.

After a long conference Mr. Cecil Rhodes has arranged terms of surrender with eight important Chiefs in the Motoppo Hills and two brothers of Lobengula.

## CHINA AND THE POWERS.

Reuter learns that Li Hung Chang has made no concessions to Russia, but is in favour of a junction of the Amur railways with Manchuria. No convention has, however, been signed and no Port ceded to Russia.

Russia is favourably inclined to a revision of the Chinese Tariff. Germany awaits Great Britain's action in the matter, and France awaits the opinion of the French Minister at Pekin.

## THE CRETAN QUESTION.

AUG. 24.

The scheme formulated by the Powers in regard to Crete, comprises the appointment of a Christian Governor for five years under a guarantee of the Powers and economic and judicial autonomy.

## NEW GERMAN WAR MINISTER.

BERLIN, AUG. 24.

General Gossler has been appointed Minister for War in the place of General Brousart von Schellendorff, who has resigned because his proposals to modernize the procedure in Courts Martial have been overruled by the Emperor's private advisers.

The nation strongly supports General Brousart von Schellendorff, and it is understood that Prince Hohenlohe likewise does so.

## CRICKET NEWS.

Yorkshire is the Champion County this season in cricket, and Ranjit Singhji takes the lead in batting averages.

## THE MAILS.

LONDON, AUG. 22.

The Bombay mails of the 7th instant arrived at Brindisi, to-day.

ADEN, AUG. 24.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Peninsular, with mails of the 14th instant, left here for Bombay, at 11 a. m., to-day.

## GHASTLY MURDER BY A SON.

### FOUR PERSONS KILLED AND WOUNDED

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, AUG. 24.

Great excitement was caused in Lahore, on Saturday, by the ghastly murders in the city committed the previous evening by a young Hindu, son of a wealthy shroff. He returned to his house in a drunken condition, and killed his step-mother, and his infant daughter aged two years. It is alleged that the murderer had been gambling and drinking, and his wife remonstrated with him regarding the dissipated life he led, when he first attacked the wife with a knife, severely wounding her. It appears that she must have struggled with him, and her screams brought down the old father and mother, whereupon he left his wife, who fell down apparently lifeless, and attacted his mother, who was pregnant, disembowelling her, and then attacked his father, severely hacking him with a knife, and afterwards ran into an adjoining room, and in the most revolting manner disembowelled his daughter. The screams attracted the residents, and the police were soon on the spot, and arrested the murderer, who was literally bespattered with blood. His mother and child were found quite dead. It was a ghastly sight. The father, whilst he was being conveyed to the hospital, recovered consciousness, but jumped off the charpoy into a well, saying that he wanted to die, and did not want to go to the hospital. He was, however, pulled out, but died on the road to the hospital, and was taken home. The wife was taken to the hospital, where her wounds were found to be of a very serious character, but apparently she has not been vitally injured, and is expected to recover.

## BOUNDARY SETTLEMENTS.

SIMLA, AUG. 24.

Mr. Merk has returned to head-quarters at Gilgit, after completing his special duty with the Foreign Department.

Alterations in the Boundary maps prepared by Colonel Hodich and the Afghan Commissioner have been carried out, the Amir having expressed entire acquiescence with the Government of India.

## THE POONA HORSE SHOW.

POONA, AUG. 24.

A meeting of those interested in the Poona Horse Show took place at the Gymkhana, this evening, Major Mercer presiding. After some discussion concerning the rules, programme, entrance fees, admission, etc., it was finally agreed to leave the matters practically as they were last year, excepting that in lieu of one day, two days should be given to the show, viz., the 28th and 30th September.

Colonel Stevens, Major Potts, Captain Browne, and Captain Penney were appointed the Working Committee, with Major Bethune as Honorary Secretary.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

## STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, AUG. 22.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Buchanan left here for Colombo, Madras, and Calcutta, this morning.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Ross, from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, arrived here this morning.

HONGKONG, AUG. 21.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Kaisar-i-Hind arrived here this morning.

COLOMBO, AUG. 24.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Rohilla arrived here yesterday afternoon.

Mail steamer Valetta, from Aden, arrived.

PENANG AUG. 22.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Marquis Bacquehem, from Kobe, left for Bombay, this evening.

The Bombay-Japan Line steamer Osborne left Colombo for Bombay, on 22nd instant, while the s. s. Hiroshima Maru arrived at Hongkong, on the 24th instant.

## COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, AUG. 22.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed quiet. Surats firm.

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The Manchester market has been firm.

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| 2½ per cent. Consols | 113 1-8 |
| 3 per cent. Rentes | 102½ |
| 3½ per cent. Sterling Loan | 120½ |
| 3½ per cent. Rupee Paper | 63 15-16 |
| Bar Silver | 30 11-16 |

## TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

AUGUST 24.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, interrupted.

CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, interrupted. Via Bhamo, perfect.

AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Teneriffe, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.

Amoor route interrupted between Padde and Khabarowka. Cable Zanzibar and Mombassa interrupted.

Madagascar and Reunion mail closes at Zanzibar at noon on Friday the 28th.

Madagascar and Reunion mail closes at Mauritius at noon on Saturday the 29th.

## SPORT AND ATHLETICS.

(FROM OUR SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, AUG. 7.

### THE WORSHIP OF ATHLETICS.

In more than one influential quarter a warning note has of late been raised respecting the proneness of the age to impart an altogether fictitious importance to athletics to the detriment of higher and nobler aims. Amongst those who have ventured to raise their voices in mild protest is no less an authority than the Hon. Alfred Lyttelton, whose election to a seat in the House of Commons caused such a flutter amongst the party leaders some short time back. It must be generally admitted that a warning coming from such a source deserves more than passing notice, for his recently uttered sentiments find a ready echo in the minds of a good many people who are anxious that the worship of muscle should take no stronger hold upon coming generations than it has upon the youth of England to-day. No one could possibly be a firmer believer in the old adage about "all work and no play" having a disastrous effect upon "Jack," but I certainly think some of our games are being a trifle overdone and instead of providing the recreation which we as boys rejoiced in, they are being turned into professions to provide the wherewithal for existence. With this worship of different forms of athetic exercise, has sprung up the idolising of individuals, which has developed to such an extent that some of our latter-day celebrities consider themselves of vastly more importance than a Cabinet Minister, and crave homage that would be considered extremely ridiculous in other walks of life. Our old friend, Mr. Lyttelton, very properly lays it down that the sphere of athletics should be confined to a very large extent to the school playground and the college playing field, and while being indulged in primarily for immediate relaxation and recreation, would also assist in equipping a youth for the sterner duties and realities of life. Few men can boast of a more brilliant University career than the old Cambridge cricketer. Not only did he excel as a batsman and a wicket-keeper in our summer game, but on one memorable occasion, when Australia looked like wresting our supremacy in the field from us, he took off his pads and gloves, and promptly proceeded to get out the rest of the side when all the other English bowlers had failed. As a football player, he was regarded as one of the most brilliant forwards of his time, and many a hard-fought battle has he gone through for the honour and glory of the Old Etonians. At raquets and tennis he is acknowledged to be one of the foremost exponents. When, then, we find an old champion—and he thoroughly deserves the title—standing up and declaiming against the excessive worship of athletics as a common danger to the rising generation, we may rest assured that he has good ground, for taking the stand he does. Similar opinions have been expressed by other famous men, and when I read somewhere, as I did a few days ago, that much of the old-world chivalry was being gradually driven out of our sports and pastimes by the exigencies of the times, it occurred to me that there was a good deal of truth in the remark.

### THE EXPLOITATION OF ATHLETICS.

If possible, I am inclined to think the exploitation of athletics as great an evil as the undue worship. And not only will this apply to athletic games as generally understood, but also to cricket and football. A friend of mine who is in close touch with athletic legislation was explaining to me quite recently that the disclosures made in the recent notorious cases were simply disgraceful, and the wonder is how the "black sheep" managed to keep their nefarious doings secret so long as they did. To plead—to whine, perhaps, would be the better expression—that there are others quite as bad simply goes to show how badly our amateur sports are honeycombed by jobbery and hypocrisy. Personally, I have no sort of compassion for men who descend to such despicable tactics. To demand payment in cash and dictate terms whilst posing as amateurs seems to me to be the height of meanness. It has been made fairly evident that a snug little ring has been broken up, and slow though the Amateur Athletic Association may have been in appreciating the presence of scandals which must have been palpable to thousands, the officials are to be congratulated upon bringing the charges home and inflicting just and prompt punishment. At least one record ought to be expunged from the books of the A. A. A., and were this done it would find no place amongst professional records. It has been a sad and sorry business the Association has had to go on with, but having put their hands to the task if may be hoped they will not relax their efforts until the path has been purified much more thoroughly. There must be scores of men waiting to be found out.

### BOOKMAKERS' AMATEURS.

One of the greatest difficulties the National Cyclists' Union has had to contend with is the suppression of the makers' amateur, an individual, it may be explained for the benefit of the uninitiated, in the employ of a firm, or assisted in some shape or form by the loan of machines or payment of expenses when racing. By stringent legislation many of the so-called abuses have been remedied. But the racing cyclist who received help in this way was a prince of sportsmen compared with the bookmakers' amateur, the individual who has to run to orders and win or lose as the "book" may dictate. Cycle racing, generally speaking, was never better or keener than when the men were riding in the interests of one or other of our big firms. They were expected to win, and in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred might be depended upon to do their level best. With the amateur athlete (save the mark) it is very often enough a question of the "book" first and honour nowhere. From trainers, from betting-men—aye, and from competitors themselves. I have heard stories that anyone outside the pale of athletics would scarcely credit. And when any deeply-laid plot is required, and elaborate arrangements become an absolute necessity, your bookmaker's amateur can be depended upon to fulfil his share of the contract, with something to spare. Not so many years ago the North of Ireland was a favourite hunting-ground for the "bookies" and their allies. Betting was then rampant—I am led to understand that "coups" are not so easily brought off nowadays—and if rival schools happened to be "out" at the same meeting, as sometimes occurred the "cutting-up" required a man of finesse and strong will. Sprints, quarter-miles, and half-miles were usually patronised most. A few weeks before a big meeting, a quiet little party would wander over to the Green Isle in the most unostentatious manner, and by running yards and yards below their proper form, one at least of the party would get in a big handicap on a certain winning-mark. Occasionally it has happened, so I have been informed, that the most elaborate schemes have been threatened by the presence of some well-known English professional, entered, of course, in an assumed name. An exposure of these frauds would have spoiled the "game" entirely, and so mutual confidences were entered into, and the "book" suited. Some few weeks ago when chance brought together a few old-timers, the conversation turned upon the recent sensational suspensions. In the company was a once brill ant quarter-mile runner, and for an hour or so he entertained the company with a few little exploits in which he had been concerned with great success. It is, of course, impossible for me to give names, but the stories he told were so circumstantial, and fitted in so accurately with much that I had long suspected, that little room for doubt was left in anyone's mind. A certain North of England school (that is as near as I can put it) had arranged a splendid "coup" not a thousand miles from Belfast, and meant making the most of it. A rival school saw money was to be made, but instead of going over to Ireland to back the "sure" winner they had been put on, a professional was taken over to upset the "pot." The amateur who had been "let" the handicap was backed heavily. There was always plenty of cash to be found to lay against his chances, whilst the very knowing fraternity lumped their money on the professional, who started at a big price. A more beaten-looking couple could scarcely be imagined, for of course they "pocketed" when they went well-night penniless from the scene of their success, whilst the other side chuckled in their glee. It is this betting business that is at the bottom of many of the present-day abuses.

### SPOILING THE PHILISTINES.

The men who generally upset these plots when they happen to be discovered are the handicappers, and no one had a keener perception in such matters than poor Tom Sutton, of Manchester, whose loss to the athletic world has not yet been adequately realised. Transparently honest himself, he had a thorough detestation of these "wrong uns," and if ever he had a suspicion that all was not fair and aboveboard he instantly requested the officials to refrain from putting any number on the telegraph board. Jealous of his handicaps, he very naturally objected to having them completely spoiled by any "outsider" running to order. The effrontery of some of these "gentry" is simply amazing. One would think they did not patronise a "class" gathering, but their assurance leads them to undertake almost any risk. Some years ago the mile handicap at Notts Forest sports—a justly celebrated gathering—was carried off with ridiculous ease in wonderfully fast time. At once suspicions were raised, and some of the officials went to the competitors' dressing tent to interview the winner. Too late they arrived, for slipping a long ulster over his running costume he had popped out of the ground into a convenient cab and was seen no more that day. He had fulfilled his mission, and I believe it has never been discovered to this day who the man was, although the name of a celebrated Preston runner was freely bandied about. That these people do not always get off scot-free a little incident at one of the Stourbridge meetings will prove. This little out-of-the-way meeting used to attract all the big guns of the athletic world, and many a famous performance has been witnessed on the old cricket ground. A couple of West of England runners got themselves into sad trouble by working the "professional" dodge, and but for the phenomenally fast time accomplished in the mile it is probable the offence would never have been discovered. There was a bit of a scare in certain portions of the ground when the officials absolutely refused to hoist the numbers, but their action was justified in every way. After a fairly long experience of these gatherings I am firmly convinced that betting is sapping all that is best and most manly out of our athletics, and until a few of the ringleaders are hunted down matters will not be much better.

### DOES PROFESSIONALISM PAY?

If I were asked to answer this question so far as it affects our so-called amateur athletes, I should say, without the slightest hesitation, certainly not. We have had but few examples of men who have achieved any fame on the amateur path succeeding as professionals, and the only runners I can call to mind who have made money afterwards are W. G. George, Arthur Wharton (who carried off a Sheffield Handicap), T. M. Nicholas (a Manchester handicap winner), Wilkinson, of Newcastle, and in a lesser degree, perhaps, W. Snook. J. W. Raby jumped right to the front as an amateur, and afterwards did a lot of good performances as a professional, but I question if he found the game worth the candle to any considerable extent. We have yet to see what measure of success will fall to the share of men like Bacon, Downer, Conneff, or Watkins. Properly trained, the first-named is for and away the best miler the amateur path has seen for a good many years. But we have no Cummings to-day, so far as I am aware, and unless Conneff can manage to defeat the ex-Salford Harriers' man Bacon, will probably "go to seed" for want of an opponent. There may be money to be had out of a series of matches between the pair, but after they have been decided, what then? With Downer the case is slightly different, though one would have thought that such a brilliant performer would have gone for higher game than presented by a somewhat unpretentious Edinburgh handicap. Now that the A.A.A. officials have commenced the weeding out process, however, we may find a new school of professionals springing up, as in the cycling ranks, and then the chances of the expelled may be more favourable. Who knows?

## THE PARSEE-PRESIDENCY MATCH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Contrary to expectation, instead of being a keen contest, the international struggle has ended in a very easy win for the Bombay Presidency. That the Presidency won on the merits of the game, no one will doubt. The Parsees were outplayed at all points of the game. This unexpected result is to be traced to the absence of Gagrat, Writer, and Bapasola. The fielding of the Parsees was very weak in the absence of Gagrat and Bapasola, the two best fielders among them. Whatever may be the reason of the absence of Gagrat and Writer, I think the selection committee did not take a wise step in accepting their refusal to play. It was the duty of the Committee to do its best to include these two giants, as well as Bapasola in the Parsee eleven. The committee, however, neglected this duty, and as a consequence the Parsees have suffered a crushing defeat. Again, the selection of the Parsee eleven was faulty. Spencer, Davur, and D. Mody at least might have been left out with advantage in favour of better men. I hope this letter will induce the committee to make a better selection for the return match to be played at Poona. In my opinion the following gentlemen are best fitted to represent the Parsees:—Messrs. R. D. Cooper (capt.), B. D. Gagrat, D. D. Kanga, D. C. Daruwalla, D. M. Writer, B. C. Machliwala, N. C. Bapasola, D. M. Raja, N. K. Bharucha, K. M. Mistry, and B. M. Billimoria. I hope the selection committee will be awakened to its sense of duty, and will do its best to secure the above cricketers for the match at Poona. I think most of your readers will agree with me that the above combination would form the strongest Parsee XI., and the Presidency players will not carry all with them as they did at the last match.—Yours, &c.,

D. J. W.

## THE ABSCONDING MERCHANT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—With reference to the particulars contained in your to-day's issue of the "Bombay Gazette," regarding the arrest of the Memon merchant, at Aden, in which it is stated that I had wired to Aden in order to avoid difficulties in arresting him, I beg to inform you that no telegram was despatched by me to Aden, as it was considered unnecessary to do so. You will, therefore, oblige by having the statement rectified.—Yours, &c.,

E. SCARPA,
Acting Agent.

Aug. 24.

## MILITARY NEWS.

THE Cavalry detachment at Mangrota outpost has been reduced from 25 to 17 sabres, on the understanding that an Infadtry detachment of 21 rifles remains at the post.

MAJOR T. F. BUSHE, No. 26 Company Eastern Division, will proceed home on promotion, Lieutenant-Colonel G. G. Monck-Mason, No. 9 Company Western Division, will proceed home on promotion.

THE following postings and appointments in the Royal Artillery have been approved:—Major A. B. Helyar has been posted from the 45th Field Battery to No. 9 Company Western Division. Captain K. Combe has been posted from "K" Battery R. H. A. to the 19th Company Eastern Division. Captain W. E. Wingfield has been posted from No. 1 Depot Eastern Division to No. 26 Company Eastern Division. Captain J. B. Stansfeld on absorption from the seconded list has been posted to No. 1 Company Eastern Division. Lieutenant J. Dalby, 31st Field Battery, has been appointed to "K" Battery R. H. A. 2nd-Lieutenant J. W. Hope has been posted to No. 13 Company Eastern Division.

MAJOR W. F. CAHUSAC, 21st Bombay Infantry, took over the duties of Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Bombay District, yesterday, from Major J. C. Swann, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, on his return from leave.

THE latest lunatic asylum story comes from Glasgow. Two revered Councillors of "the second city" were taken over a large asylum by one of the patients, a safe man. He had led them to a room to a display a view from a window when someone shut the door, with its self-acting lock, and the three men were prisoners. The patient alone preserved his composure. While the Councillors kicked to be released, he remarked: "If I were you, I would be quiet." No help coming, the Councillors grew desperate; beads of perspiration stood on their brows and they fairly yelled. "If I were you," repeated the patient, soothingly, "I would keep quiet." "But we're no daft," pleaded one of the visitors. "Hoots, mon? that's what I said masel' when I was brocht in!"

## AFFAIRS IN GOA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

GOA, AUG. 20.

A MINISTERIAL order has been published, directing all Municipal Corporations in Portugal and the Colonies to set apart from income one percentum in favour of the "Institute of Protection," which was created in 1891 to afford relief in the shape of pension or pecuniary assistance to soldiers in distress. Hitherto the order has been evaded, but power has now been given to the Revenue Department to recover the amount. Dr. Raphael Pereira, the late Principal of the Medical Department at Goa, who was transferred to Guinea, has been temporarily attached to the Colonial Medical Department at Portugal. The fourth centenary of the discovery of the new route to India will be celebrated in Portugal in July 1897. The Goa Government has appointed a committee composed of influential officials and natives to get up a demonstration in Portuguese India on the same occasion. As the suspension of constitutional guarantees continues in Novas Conquistas, the Council of War has been reorganised under a different form, and Mr. F. A. Ochoa, the Auditor-General of the Council, has been relieved of his duties. His Excellency the Governor-General has issued orders to organise for Portuguese India a Squadron of Mounted Cavalry, which will be composed of 194 men, including officers, and 176 horses. The measure is intended on the principle of economy to dispense with European troops from Portugal, as well as to procure quiet from disturbances occasioned by robberies and revolts. The Cavalry is to do duty in any place where its presence may be required. The men will be armed with sword and carbine, and will have to fight on foot and horse-back. A committee has been appointed to select a uniform suitable for the Cavalry. The new mounted corps will be called "Indian Dragoons." It was reported that a committee of officers with some experts was sent to Bombay, with the object of choosing horses and men, the former from Bombay and Sind, and the latter from the Punjab. Mahomedans will be given preference in enlisting the recruits. Senhor Neves Ferreira is a new man to India, otherwise he would know that when the late expedition under his Highness the Duke of Oporto proceeded to Goa, a mania of having a mounted Cavalry to put down the rebellion caught hold of the officials. Some 140 horses were purchased in Bombay, paying between Rs. 400 to 500 per head. The Cavalry was never used. The horses died of want of care and starvation, and the remaining skeletons were disposed off in a public auction, at Rs. 20 to Rs. 40. Some three lakhs of rupees were thus thrown away. It is to be hoped that the "Indian Dragoons" of Senhor Neves Ferreira will give better results.

## PORTUGUESE TARIFFS AND SUBSIDIES.

THE following is the Translation of a Provincial Decree No. 80 of 20th July, published in 'Boletim Official' No. 80 of 21st July 1896, and republished for information by the Revenue Department, Bombay:—

The rate-payers having frequently and in different forms manifested the necessity of abolishing or substituting the taxes 'Contribution on House-rent and Income,' because the former was not suitable owing to the absence of element of wealth as well as owing to deficient commercial movement to give impulse to urban buildings, and the latter burdened the small industries which otherwise require protection;

Considering that these two taxes, which include in a greater part rate-payers less wealthy or poor only, produce an enormous debt, most of which is unrecoverable;

Considering the absolute necessity of promoting the development of the industry of commerce and navigation, the principal sources of public wealth;

Considering the present circumstances of the Treasury cannot favour this development with the sacrifice of the receipts which are at present collected;

Considering that it is indispensable to remove, if not completely to destroy, the obstacles which more visibly oppose, the desired purpose such as the taxes which directly fall on industry or on capital raised for its development;

Considering that the simplification of taxation is always advantageous both to the Government and to the rate-payers, relieving at the same time from direct taxation the poorer people;

Having heard the Secretary of Fazenda, and making Use of the authority granted me in Decree dated 22nd May 1896, I am hereby pleased to decree the following:—

Art. 1.—The taxes 'Contribution on House-rent and Income' sanctioned per Decrees Nos. 2 and 3 of 1st September 1881, are abolished.

Art. 2.—The additional tax on land property sanctioned per Decree No. 6 of 1st September 1881 is increased from 5 to 10 per cent.

Art. 3.—An additional tax of 5 per cent. will be levied on land property to meet the charges of the revision or modification of the taxation, which after completion of those works will cease to be collected.

Art. 4.—An additional impost of 20 per cent. will be levied on import duties collected by the Customs.

Section 1.—The additional impost of 20 per cent. on Customs duties will be reduced to 10 per cent. on national produce imported by foreign vessels and on foreign produce imported by national vessels.

Section 2.—National produce imported by Portuguese vessels will be exempt from this additional impost.

Art. 5.—Capital raised for the purpose of developing rising industries, or for creating others within a period of five years from the publication of this decree will be exempt from impost of 10 per cent. on the use money paid for the loan.

Section 1.—This exemption will be granted by orders of the Governor-General on proposition of the Secretary of Fazenda, after duly ascertaining how the capital has been applied.

Section 2.—The creditor shall register in the Fazenda office a statement for record, declaring what industry the capital is intended for. This registration will be endorsed and declared without any effect when the exemption referred to in this article has been granted, or will be converted into a direct manifest when it is known that the capital has been applied for other purpose than that declared, the creditor in this case paying double impost for the time the declaration was incorrectly manifested.

Art. 6.—A premium of 10 per cent. will be awarded on capital employed in factories that may be established in this State within the period of eighteen months from the date of publication of this decree, in every case when the capital is or exceeds fifteen thousand rupees, including in this calculation the land, buildings, and machinery. This premium will be awarded within the first month, such factories commence working.

Section 1.—Produce exported by such factories or others that may be started in future shall enjoy the benefit of 'Drawback' on the original material used in their manufacture.

Section 2.—Special rules shall fix the formalities to be followed in conceding the 'Drawback' referred to.

Art. 7.—A premium of thirty thousand rupees will be awarded to the first Firm, who within eighteen months from the date of publication of this decree establishes a regular steamer service under the Portuguese flag between any ports and those of Portuguese India, Goa, Marmagao, Daman, and Diu) This premium will be increased by 50 per cent. if this service extends to other Portuguese ports besides those already referred to in Portuguese India, or in case the Firm is national.

Section 1.—This premium will be awarded when the Firm have really established a regular navigation service for a space of one year, and which at the time of receiving the premium money shall bind themselves with due formalities and guarantees to continue the same service, for at least six years.

The authorities and other persons to whom this may concern should so understand and comply.

J. A. DE B. DAS N. FERREIRA,
Royal Commissionor.

Palace, Nova Goa, 20th July 1896.

YESTERDAY, at the Hight Court, the Hon. Mr. Justice Budrudin Tyabjee heard the suit filed by Dr. K. N. Bahadurjee and Mr. Dwarkadas Dharamsey, against the Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Company, Limited, and its directors. The plaintiffs ask that it may be declared that the threatened payments or distribution among the shareholders of the company of a sum of Rs. 15,000 as a dividend was *ultra vires* and illegal, and contrary to the memorandum and articles of association, and a violation of the rights of the plaintiffs and other policy-holders in the company; that the directors may be restrained from paying or distributing among the shareholders the sum of Rs. 15,000; and that, in the alternative, the directors may be decreed to repay to the company the amount that may be paid or distributed among the shareholders as a dividend for 1894 in excess of the amount properly payable to them. It was further asked that the first and second defendants may be decreed to pay to the company the sums improperly paid away to the shareholders as dividends during the years 1893 and 1894 for the years 1892 and 1893, respectively. The defence is that these payments were made in a perfectly legitimate way with the knowledge and consent of all the shareholders, including the plaintiffs; and that the defendants are in no way liable for what they had done. The hearing of the suit is proceeding.

AT a meeting of shareholders of the Sasoon Spinning and Weaving Company, held yesterday, it was resolved to increase the productive power of the mill by the addition of about 15,000 spindles, and to increase the capital of the company to twenty-two and a-half lakhs of rupees by the creation of 1,500 new shares of Rs. 500 each.

## THE LIABILITIES OF THE MEMON MERCHANT SETTLED.

WITH regard to the charges pending against the Memon merchant, Haji Jan Mahomed Haji Joosub, we learn that his liabilities with the French Bank have been settled, a sum of Rs. 140,000 having been paid up. With reference to the two other cases, the matters are being arranged, and the prosecutions in all these three cases are likely to drop.

### ANOTHER CHARGE AGAINST JANI SETT.

Before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Third Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, Mr. Dinshaw, of Messrs. Mulla and Mulla, solicitors, appeared on behalf of Tularam Radhakison, and applied for a warrant against Haji Jan Mahomed Haji Joosub on the charges of cheating, forgery, and forging a valuable document. The complainant, Tularam Radhakison, in his information, said he was one of the owners of the firm of Nundram Begraj, shroffs and bankers. Accused, on the 2nd instant, got complainant to lend him Rs. 2,500 on a promissory note. On the 3rd inst., he applied for a further advance of Rs. 2,500, against which total sum of Rs. 5,000 he offered to endorse to complainant's firm a promissory note, dated Calcutta, the 29th July (ultimo), payable fifty-seven days after date, and alleged to have been drawn by one Abdul Currim Oomar, of Calcutta, in favour of accused. Complainant agreed to the proposal, and the loan was effected. He endorsed the promissory note to the Bank of Bengal for collection. On hearing that accused had absconded, he wrote to Abdul Currim Oomar, at Calcutta, who denied all knowledge of the promissory note.

His Worship told Mr. Mulla that as the accused had already been admitted to bail, he would not grant a warrant in this case, but a summons could be issued.

## THE CHARGE OF SWINDLING A COFFEE-PLANTER.

THE case in which Syed Abdul Gung charged Syed Ahmed and Kalendar Khar with the theft of Rs. 5,400 in currency notes was called on for hearing before Mr. Taleyarkhan, Acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court. The case was taken up three times last week, and it stands postponed till to-morrow (Wednesday). Mr. Mir Aun Ali, barrister-at-law, instructed by Mr. Mirza Hoosein Khan, solicitor, appeared for the prosecution, while the accused were defended by Mr. Velinkar, pleader.

Sheevaji Nanjaippa, a resident of Berar, in the Mysore District, testified to the currency notes being handed over to Haji Abdul Rasul Khan by his cousin, Patel Budappa. He wrote a letter of introduction on the first of Beewu Gunnaji in Bombay, which was handed over to Rassul Khan after it had been signed by his master. This was six months back. He produced the books containing the entries in regard to the notes. The halves of the notes were sent to Bombay under a registered cover, while the other halves were kept by the complainant himself.

Merchand Gajaji, "keyliday" of the shop of Gunnaji Bowaji, said that, on the 10th of February last, the complainants and the accused called at his master's shop and handed over a letter to his master which, amongst other things, stated that the complainant was a rich man and had come to Bombay to buy jewellery. He testified to receive halving of currency notes for Rs. 5,000, the other halves of which were produced by the complainant.

Ra Mahomed, examined by Mr. Mir Aun Ali, said that he remembered accompanying the accused to the bazaar and assisting them in the purchase of a silver watch and chain. On one occasion he accompanied them to Mahim when they gave him Rs. 10 for pan-sopari and further promised that they would get him a handsome reward from the complainant, who was introduced to him as a nobleman by the accused. At the request of the latter he rented a dewankhana in Hujria Street, opposite the mosque of that name. It was rented from Mahomed Tucki for a monthly rent of Rs. 5. Subsequently, the accused asked him to rent a house for the complainant at Mahim, saying that he (complainant) was a nobleman, and as the "Ramzan" was approaching it was desirable to hire a house for him in Mahim. Thereupon, he and the accused searched for a house and fixed upon one close to the bazaar, and a dewankhana was approved of. The first accused was the spokesman for the settlement of the rents. The following morning he was informed by Abdul Gunny that the accused had stolen notes and disappeared. He called upon the complainant, who showed him the tin-box, from which Rs. 5,400 worth of currency notes had been extracted, and also pointed some clothes and bedding belonging to the accused which they had left behind. Witness advised complainant to inform the police of the theft. The complainant, who was unwell, left for Meeraj, after having procured some money from the Javerbee Bazaar. When Purshotum once asked him why the accused had not kept their appointment and called at his shop to give him the promised reward, he informed him that accused had been charged with theft. Purshotum then informed him about his having cashed a five-hundred rupee note for them.

Cross-examined by Mr. Velinkar, witness said that he found no iron instruments in the box. The house at Mahim suited them all. Gulam Rasul Khan found Bombay hot, and, therefore, he wanted to go and stay at Mahim. There was nobody present when the accused said they would please him. He had not received any gratification from the accused. He had got a witness summons in the case. He told the solicitor all that he knew of the case.

Mahomed Tucki corroborated the fact of his renting the room to the accused. He saw complainant and the accused in the room when he went to his work at the dock, but when he returned he was informed that a theft had been committed and accused absconded.

Witness was cross-examined by Mr. Velinkar, but nothing of importance was elicited.

Mr. Velinkar, who defended the accused, applied that the case should be taken up from day to day. He objected to any postponement. He said that great efforts were being made by the prosecution to get evidence in the case.

Mr. Mir Aun Ali said that he was sorry to see that Mr. Velinkar objected to any reasonable postponement. He was most anxious to finish the case as soon as possible Nothing was farther from his mind than to delay the case unnecessarily. As to the statement made by Mr. Velinkar, the counsel pointed out that it was their duty to try to get all possible evidence to preserve the ends of justice. Was it not their duty to make justifiable and honest efforts to secure evidence?

The magistrate: Of course, you are quite right. The prosecution have every right to bring before the court all the available evidence.

Mr. Aun Ali then said that they had traced two currency notes in Bombay, but as they were now in the Paper Currency Office at Madras, he had applied to the Commissioner to forward the notes as they were required in evidence. The Commissioner wrote back to say that the note would be forwarded if his Worship wrote officially for them. In order to expedite the matter, he suggested that the magistrate might wire to the Commissioner at Madras to forward the notes. He offered to pay the expenses of the telegram.

The magistrate said that he had no objection to send the telegram, provided the prosecution paid the expenses.

Mr. Aun Ali handed over the telegram charges to the Clerk of the Court, and the magistrate accordingly advised the Commissioner of the Paper Currency at Madras to send the notes as they were required in evidence.

The case stands adjourned till to-morrow.

## THE INDIAN COTTON CROP.

THE first general memorandum on the prospects of the Cotton crop has been issued by the statistical bureau. The reports from Bombay are incomplete, but so far as they go, it appears that the area sown is 13 per cent. below the average, and the seedlings have suffered from the excessive rain at the end of July. In Madras the area sown is 55 per cent. less than usual. In Berar it is only 30 less and the prospect is good generally. In the Central Provinces sowings were satisfactorily carried out under seasonable conditions over a large area than usual and germination was on the whole successful. The present prospects are excellent, but a break in the rains is required to permit of hoeing and weeding. (There has been a break since the date of the report.) In the North-Western Provinces and Oudh sowings were undertaken in seasonable conditions, and germination was successful in the principal cotton-growing tracts. In other places, where cotton is not largely grown sowings were late, the rain having been irregular in quantity and distribution, and the crop is suffering from lack of moisture, but prospects have improved during the last week with the good rain; the area sown appears to be about the same as last year. In the Punjab rainfall was insufficient for early sowings, except in some districts of the Delhi Division, where the rain was good and an increased area was placed under cotton. Elsewhere there was a decline greater in the North-Western and Western than in the Central tracts. The area sown is 10·7 per cent. less than the area stated in the final forecast of last year, but 13 per cent. more than the average. The decline in the area compared with last year is mainly limited to unirrigated tracts as in the North-Western Provinces. Prospects have greatly improved during the last fortnight with good rain in most districts.

A forecast of the coffee crop in Coorg shows that 4,211 tons are likely to be available for export as compared with average of 3,569 tons. This means a 19-anna crop, but it is 30 per cent. below that of last year.

## BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

DR. COWASJI HORMUSJI presided at the adjourned monthly meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation held in the Municipal Hall, yesterday afternoon, when there were also present:—The Hon'ble Mr. Abdulla M. Dharamsi, Messrs. Ardaser Framji Unwalla, Bhagwandas Narrotumdas, Bomanjee Pestonjee Master, Byramji Nusserwanjee Serwai, Darashah Ratanji Chichgar, Dr. Dominick A. D'Monte, Rao Bahadur Dhakji Kashinathji, Messrs. F. Edgelow, Fardunji Nasarwanji Bisni, Fazalbhai Jumabhai Laliji, Fazulbhoy Visram, Goolam Hoosein Allana, Hurkisondas Nurotumdas, Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Ismail Jan Mahomed, Jamsetji C. Jamsetji, the Hon. Mr. Javerilal Umiashankar Yajnik, Messrs. Jaya Karadi Lingu, Jijibhoy Framji Petit, Kavasji Edalji Dadachanji, K. M. Shroff, Kharsedji Nasarwanji Wadia, G. Lund, Manekshah J. Taleyarkhan, Muljibhowanidas Barbhaya, O. V. Muller, Nowroji Jehangir Gamadia, the Hon. Mr. Nowrosjee Nusserwanjee Wadia, Mr. Pestonji Nassarwanji Wadia, the Hon. Mr. Pherozeshah M. Mehta, Messrs. B. Phillips, Rahimtulla Khairaz, the Hon. Mr. Rahimtulla Mahomed Sayani, Messrs. S. Rabsch, Sundernath D. Khote, Tribhowandas Mungaldas Nathoobhoy, Dr. Edward F. Underwood, Mr. Vandrawandas Purshotamdas, Dr. Accacio Gabriel Viegas, and Mr. Vithalrao Krishnaji Vandekar.

### GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The Corporation considered the proposition proposed by the Hon. Mr. P. M. Mehta, on the 13th instant, as under:—

That letter to the President, No. 1216, Educational Department, dated 3rd July 1896, from Mr. Acting Secretary Logan, be recorded; (2) That the Corporation tenders its best thanks to Government for sanctioning a building grant to the Municipality of Rs. 50,000; (3) That the Corporation feel at the same time bound to point out that they do not understand the reference in the said letter to the provisions of clause 2 (c) of section 120 of the Municipal Act of 1888, that the said section does not apply to building grants, and that Government themselves have recognised such principle in the building grant for the Bhuleshwar school; (4) That they are equally unable to understand the reference to a contemplated school in Tank Street, but they intend to appoint a Committee to frame proposals for utilizing the building fund for primary schools; (5) That they regret that Government think that there are circumstances which are likely to make it impossible for Government to contribute large sums annually towards the building of primary schools in Bombay; (6) That the Corporation desire to point out that, previous to the passing of the Municipal Act, 1888, when there was no legal obligation on the Corporation for

in the Government resolution that any building grant made by them should be practically regard as part of the maintenance grant made by them under section 120 of the Act, and that the building grant should be calculated along with the contribution for maintenance, in order to arrive at the minimum, fixed under the Statute as the amount which the Corporation were bound to contribute to the School Fund. Mr. Dharamsey supported Mr Mehta's contention that the building grant could not be confounded with the maintenance grant but that it was to be considered apart on its own basis. Section 120 did not contemplate the inclusion of building grant. The ground on this question must first be cleared before the Corporation would be in a proper position to make a definite offer. While this point was unsettled, it would be premature to approach Government. In his opinion a committee would be more desirable at a later stage of the proceedings.

The Hon. Mr. Javerilal said that it was not the object of the Resolution to put forward any definite scheme for the Construction of primary schools in Bombay. Its object was to point out in what respect there was misapprehension in the mind of Government in regard to the interpretation of Section 120 (c), and to show that Government have to keep the maintenance fund entirely different from special building grants which may be made from time to time on account of building primary schools. The Resolution in short dealt with principles. With respect to the proposal as to the raising of loan, Mr. Rebsch said the amount of the loan was indefinite. It was to be from 10 to 15 lakhs. But it seemed to him that the amount of the loan could not but be indefinite. The Corporation could not at the present stage say what the total cost of all primary schools in Bombay. The price land of required for a school site would vary. What the resolution aimed at was the fixing of clear principles for arriving at a better understanding between Government and the Corporation.

Mr. Mehta agreed with Mr. Dharamsi that they had not yet arrived at the stage at which they should appoint a Committee, in order to go into all the details of a building scheme. The series of resolutions which he had moved were only meant to serve as a general reply to the position taken up by Government with regard to grants made by them for the purpose of school buildings. His object was to assure Government that the Corporation where in earnest in doing their duty towards primary education, and that at the same time, they wanted Government to do their part of the duty. It was the duty of the Corporation to tell Government that they were putting a novel interpretation on Section 120 of the Act in their desire to confound the building grant with the maintenance grant. This point should first be cleared beyond the possibility of any misunderstanding in future, before they formulated any definite scheme. The position of Corporation with respect to the respective liability of Government and the Corporation under section 120 was perfectly sound, and it would not like the Corporation to budge an inch from that position. With regard to the last paragraph of his resolution, suggesting to the Joint Schools' Committee the advisability of drawing upon the surplus balance for providing more suitable school-houses, he entirely agreed with Mr. Wadia that the committee were working in the right direction. If school buildings were hired long leases and fair terms were offered, he had no doubt that people would come forward and complete for the purpose of supplying such buildings as might be required by the committee.

Mr. Mehta then asked permission for the withdrawal of the last paragraph from his resolution, which was granted.

On a division Mr. Rebsch's amendment was lost and Mr. Mehta's proposition carried.

RULES FOR THE JOINT SCHOOLS' COMMITTEE.

The Corporation considered letter No. 133, dated 6th May 1896, to the Acting Municipal Secretary, from the Secretary, Joint Schools' Committee, forwarding for sanction, under By-law 1, a set of rules and regulations for the conduct of the Joint Schools' Committee's Department.

The Hon. Mr. Wadia moved that the Corporation approved of the Rules and Regulations framed by the Joint Schools Committee, and that they be sent on to Government for confirmation.

In support of his motion Mr. Wadia said that the rules had been settled after mature deliberation. At the commencement and the career of the Joint Schools' Committee, it was noticed that they had frequently to deal with questions relating to the transfer, promotion, and leave of teachers, and that in the absence of any definite rules, regulating transfer and promotion, the committee were working more or less in the dark. In order to do away with a haphazard system, the Secretary was asked, about four years ago, to prepare a statement embodying the qualifications, the period of service, and several other facts relating to each of the teachers under the Joint Schools' Committee. Having been supplied with all these particulars, the committee proceeded to draw up a set of rules regulating their pay and promotion in accordance with their grade and qualifications. With this exception, the printed rules for the most part were a reproduction of the Government Code. The salaries under the new rules, which have been embodied in the printed volume, were practically on the lines of the scale adopted in the Government department. They, however, include provisions for the adequate reward of the better class of teachers, having the training college certificate, in accordance with their qualifications and their length of service, and they are calculated to better the position of the teachers under the committee.

The Hon. Mr. Dharamsi seconded the proposition.

The Hon. Mr. Javerilal said that it might seem desirable perhaps to explain why he, a member of the Joint Schools' Committee, should come forward to propose a reference back to the committee of the rules and regulations. In the first place, he must state that the draft rules were before the committee, it was not possible for him to attend the deliberations of the committee, owing to the state of his health; but he did not stand in the way of the committee, sending them to the Corporation for approval. He believed that the committee had bestowed thought and care over them. When the rules were before the Corporation, he went carefully through them, and found that some of them were needlessly harsh, while others fell short of the requirements of primary education. Among the rules he objected to was Rule No. 1, Chap. 1, which prohibited a master from following any other profession. If the teachers had been liberally paid, such a provision would be reasonable; but as things stood at present, it was notorious that teachers were paid much below their actual wants and quite out of proportion to the work they did. In the majority of cases they received Rs. 10 a mouth, which even this Corporation, to be equal to wages paid to grooms and pattawalas in Bombay. Rule 6, Chapt. 2, regulated the admission of free studentships for backward classes. He was quite in favour of the percentage of free boys being extended to the backward classes. But if the required number of boys from the backward classes was not forthcoming, then were they to allow such vacancies to remain unfilled, or had they not better filt up such vacancies by the selections of boys from other classes, so as to make up the full 15 per cent. The rule as it stood, however, enjoined that boys of the advanced castes, such as the Brahmanical and trading castes, must in no case exeed one-half of the sanctioned percentage of free pupils, even though boys from the backward classes put in no appearance. This meant that the free studentships intended for the backward classes, if not filled up by them, were to be left unavailed of. He next directed attention to Rule 8, Chapter 4. That rule provided that presents made by private individuals of sweetmeats, &c., should be forwarded by the masters to the Secertary for disposal by the Joint Schools' Committee. With all due respect to the Committee, he must say that he could hardly conceive a more absurd or rediculous provision in the rules for the distribution of sweetmeats. He could hardly imagine these grave and revered Siegniors of the Joint Schools' interfering with the comforts of little urchins from six to eight years old in the matter of parched chanas or gram or confectionary, such as pendas or burfis, which a charitably disposed Hindoo gentleman might offer for little urchins of five to eight years of age should be allowed or not. He knew of no such rule under the Code from which most of the rules were taken. They seemed for a moment to forget that they were breaking with an immemorial tradition or usage of the country in a most harmless matter. He had only to point to the absurdity of the rule to see it deleted. In the Mofussil he knew for certain that educational authorities were encouraging this wholesome custom by announcing the names of such donors in their school records, however small the amounts of their donations. Furthermore pointing out defects in rules three and six of Chap. 7, Mr. Javerilal proceeded to Chap. 8, which regulated the pay and allowances of teachers. These rules seemed to him hardly to come up in point of reasonableness or fairness to the rules regulating the pay and allowaness for teachers of primary schools in the Mofussil. In fact they were less liberal than the rules in the old Code from which they were drawn up. The old Code, for instance, provided the limit of Rs. 30 to third year trained teachers, who had put forth more than twenty years' service. The rules now before them limited the salary of a teacher of a first-class school to Rs. 50 as the highest limit. It was true that an addition of Rs. 5 for service allowance on completing twenty years' service was provided in sub-section (b) of rule 6, chap. 8; it was true that Rs. 5 were to be further increased to Rs. 10, but such allowance was wholly discretionary and dependent upon the pleasure of the committee, and not claimable in the ordinary course of service. In Gujerat he know it for a fact that vernacular masters in primary schools, not only rose to Rs. 75 ordinarily, but as sub-deputy Inspectors they got Rs. 75, with such chances of promotion and prospects of rise in their own districts and with cheaper necessaries of life; was it to be expected that such trained teachers would accept service in Bombay, where living was so enormously costly. The present character of the teachers in the service of the Joint Schools' Committee, best illustrated his point. Speaking of the Gujerati schools, Mr. Javerilal pointed out that out of the total number of 93 teachers in Gujerati schools, only 16 or one-sixth the number belonged to the class of trained teachers and were matriculated, and 72 were untrained teachers. The reason was obvious. Practically there was no encouragement given to trained teachers. Next to the locating of the schools in better sanitary buildings, Mr. Javerilal thought the reform most urgently needed was in respect of placing the trained teachers on a level with their bretheren in the Mofussil. Unless the committee was prepared to bring up the scale of pay and allowances, it was hopeless to expect trained teachers to accept service in Bombay. The grievances of the masters in this respect were cordially supported and sympathised with by the several experienced Deputy Educational Inspectors who knew them well. Then as regards the large number of 72 untrained Gujerati teachers, it is a fact that for the lowest rank of them, the minimum pay of Rs. 10 was fixed by Government thirty years ago, when similar classes of teachers in the Mofussil received between Rs. 3 and 4. As Government had recently raised the pay of the latter to Rs. 7, it is but fair to Bombay men that their scale of pay should be raised to Rs. 15. The pay of Rs. 10 for a man and wife to live upon is really beggar's pay. The Corporation have to take the fact of increased cost of living in Bombay into account. He proposed, therefore, that the rules be referred back to the Joint Schools' Committee for reconsideration.

The amendment was supported by Messrs. Dhakji and Khote.

Mr. Dharamsi said that it was a mistake to suppose that the rules were not framed in a fairly liberal spirit, as might be seen from the face that the immediate effect of these rules coming into operation would be an increase of over Rs. 2,000 in the item for teachers' salaries. When these were under consideration, the committee had the benefit of the advice and opinion of a man of educational experience like Mr. Ghanesham Nilkhanth, who was then a member of the committee. Having been passed after careful consideration, the rules need not be sent back to the committee, unless the Corporation found anything really requiring modification.

Mr. Wadia, replying on the debate, said he was sorry that the amendment had come before the Corporation from Mr. Javerilal who, as a member of the Joint Schools, Committe, had ample opportunities of expressing his opinions regarding the rules at the proper time. Mr. Jeverilal was present at the meeting of the Joint Schools' Committee, at which it was decided to send the rules to the Croportion, and if the had been unable through illness or any other cause to give attention to the rules, it was perfectly open to him to have asked his colleagues to postpone the matter until he had looked through them. Under the new rules the teachers would be better off than those in the Mofusili and the speaker gave examples of Mofussil teachers from departmental directories in support of his contention, that the Bombay teachers were really better off, and that the new rule would be a further boon to them in that they involved an inrease expenditure of Rs. 2,000 immediately on their coming into force, and that they also contemplated a further increase in course of time.

Mr. Javerilal's amendment, on being put to the vote, was lost, and the original motion was carried by a majority.

A REJECTED PETITION.

The Corporation next considered letter dated 25th May 1896, from Mr. Chhaganlal B. Parekh forwarding copy of memorial to the Joint Schools' Committee, pointing out that the teachers of the Gujerat primary schools are invariably paid under their actual wants, and out of proportion to the work they perform.

The Hon. Mr. Mehta moved to the effect that the petitioner be informed that he should send such memorials to the Joint Schools Committee, which was then the proper body to whom they should be addressed. The Corporation must not allow such applications, as it would be highly improper to entertain them. It would be subersive of all discipline, if such applications were allowed to be made over the heads of the committee. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Wadia having seconded the proposition, it was carried nem con.

The meeting then terminated.

## ADDITIONAL PENSIONS FOR P. W. D. OFFICERS.

THE Governor-General in Council is pleased to announce that the Secretary of State has decided that the Secretary of State has decided that officers of the Forest, Public Works and Telegraph Departments holding any of the appointments enumerated in the following list and belonging to what was formerly termed the Uncovenanted Service, shall be eligible for an additional pension of Rs. 1,000 a year, provided they shall have rendered not less than three years effective service in the appointments and provided also that in each case during such service the officer has shown such special energy and efficiency as may be considered to be deserving of the concession. In the Forest Department, Conservators of Forests, 1st grade; in the Public Works Department, the Secretary to the Government of India, the Director-General of Railways, Inspector-General of Irrigation, the Accountant-General, and all Chief Engineers and officers of corresponding rank in the several branches of the Public Works Department; in the Telegraphs Department, the Director-General of Telegraphs, the Director-in-Chief of the Indo-European Government Telegraph Department (when the office is held by a member of the Indian Telegraph Department,) the Deputy Director-General of Telegraphs in India. To the above should be added any officers graded as Chief Engineer and seconded from the Public Works Department holding appointments of corresponding rank and responsibility in foreign service, provided the necessary conditions are fulfilled. The additional pension of Rs. 1,000 a year now sanctioned will, in the case of the Public Works and Telegraph Departments, be admissible to all officers who entered the service on or after the 11th October 1893 and such of the officers who entered before that date as do not become eligible on retirement for the pensions mentioned in article 714 of the Civil Service Regulations. Under the orders of the Secretary of State contained in paragraph 10 of the despatch of 21st September 1893, officers of the Public Works and Telegraph Departments who entered the service on or after the 11th October 1893 (the date on which the despatch was received by the Government of India are not entitled to the special additional pension of Rs. 1,000 and Rs. 2,000 a year mentioned in article 714 of the Civil Service Regulations.

## MAJOR MCKINLEY: A NUTSHELL BIOGRAPHY.

An American contemporary publishes the following as "a nutshell biography and study of Major McKinley," nominated as the Republican candidate for the United States Presidency:—

Age—53 years.
Birthplace—Niles, O.
Birthday—29th of January, 1843.
Ancestry—Scotch-Irish.
Parentage—Seventh child of William and Nancy McKinley, nee Allison.
Height—Five feet eight inches.
Weight—180 pounds.
Complexion—Dark.
Hair—Black, tinged with grey.
Temperment—Sanguine.
Manner—Deliberate.
Habits—Extremely temperate, smokes.
Mood—Restful, but an appreciative auditor for a good story.
Social Relations—Married, but has no living children.
Religious Denomination—Methodist.
His Fortune—dols. 20,000.
His Wife's Fortune—dols. 100,000.
His First Occupation—School teacher.
Military Career—Enlisted in Company E. Twenty-third Ohio, in June, 1861.
First Distinction—Won at Antietam.
Last Important Battle—At Cedar Creek.
His Profession—Lawyer; admitted in 1867.
His First Office—District Attorney of Stark county, O.
Public Career—Fourteen years in Congress and four years Governor of Ohio.
His Favourite Dress—Black,
His Musical Taste—Light airs and ballads.
His Favourite Novel—Has not read romances in recent years.
His Favourite Reading—Public documents, history, and economics.
His Favourite Subject—Tariff.
His Favourite Amusement—Says he hasn't any.

## CLOSE OF THE NAVAL MANŒUVRES.

REVIEW BY THE QUEEN.

THE Naval manœuvres of 1896 have concluded. The general result is a victory for the Reserve Squadron, under Admiral Seymour. The Admiral not only effected the junction of the two parts of his fleet, but succeeded in bringing his united force into Lough Swilly, which was his main object. Another object of the fleet was to watch by means of cruisers and small craft, the movements of the enemy's Milford Haven or C Fleet, and either to bring it to action or prevent its being reinforced by its D squadron, the position of which was unknown to Admiral Seymour on his departure from Berehaven. The Reserve Fleet effected its entrance into Lough Swilly during a dense fog, while their opponents imagined —from the appearance of the cruiser Iris and two others which appeared to the south-south-west—that it was in that direction.

The Queen, on board the Alberta, paid a visit to the Fleet—numbering twenty-eight vessels exclusive of the destroyers—at Spithead on Tuesday evening (Aug. 4). The ships were dressed and the yards manned, and as the Alberta, flying the Royal Standard, steamed slowly through the lines, a Royal salute was fired. After stopping for a few minutes near the Blenheim, the Royal yacht returned to Cowes. Over one hundred and fifty members of Parliament arrived at Portsmouth by special train on Tuesday morning. After inspecting the dockyards and the warships in course of construction, they sailed round the Fleet at Spithead on board the Dromedary, and were received on the Majestic by the officers of that vessel.

# NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE Calcutta Municipal Commissioners having refused to relieve themselves of the responsibility of the loan department by transferring it to the Bank of Bengal, are now considering the question of making more appointments to cope with the work.

THE scheme referred to some time back for building houses on the "Warren Hastings" grounds at Alipore, does not contemplate the destruction of the old historical house. It is to be renovated and put into habitable condition, and surrounded with 16 bigahs of land will be a desirable residence.

CHOLERA was not so prevalent in Burma last year as in 1893, although it occasioned a heavy death-roll, the aggregate number of deaths being 5,150. Arakan and Irrawaddy districts suffered to the greatest extent. Smallpox, too, declined throughout the province, but malarial fever claimed its usual quota. Good progress was made with sanitary works, some twenty lakhs of rupees having been expended for the maintenance and improvement of the public health. Rangoon was immensely benefited by the expenditure of thirteen lakhs on water-supply, extensions of the Shone and Anet drainage system, general conservancy and reclamation of swampy land. The Moulmein Municipality are maturing a similar scheme and considering the all-important matter of how to pay for it.

LAST week's season report states as regards Bengal that more rain is urgently wanted for the autumn crops and transplanting the winter rice. Reports from the northern districts of Behar are also very unfavourable on account of the drought. On the other hand, the rice crop in Orissa has been seriously damaged by the late floods, and the rivers are again rising. Rain fell in all districts of the Punjab, except Peshawar, during the week, and prospects continue to improve. There are still between 12,000 and 13,000 persons employed on relief works in the Gwalior, Bundlekhand and Bhagelkand districts of Central India, of whom 4,500 are on railway works.

THE total cost of the protective works in course of construction on the bank of the Indus opposite to the north of the city of Dera Ghazi Khan will be Rs. 6,74,700. Of this amount Rs. 2,02,000 will be lent to the Municipality by the Local Government at 4 per cent. which, with the outstanding balance of Rs. 1,28,700 of the loan previously granted, will give a consolidated loan of Rs. 3,30,000 to be repaid in thirty years. The remainder of the estimate for the new works will be provided from Imperial and Provincial revenues.

DISPENSARIES continue to be much used in the Punjab, last year's results showing a steady advance upon those of previous years. Greater confidence, and, if we might add, more commonsense exists among the Punjabi women than is to be found among the average women of India, excepting, perhaps, in Madras, and consequently the dispensaries are resorted to much more freely. The benefits of these institutions have extended widely throughout the province, although there has been a falling off in the number of vaccinations performed The time apparently is very far distant yet when that unknown instinct of gratitude shall have been engrafted upon the native nature and feelings of thankfulness shall find suitable expression for service rendered and good done. Subscriptions from natives were less last year than in the previous diminishing years, and seeing that those who reap the benefit of the dispensaries are not concerned to support them it is not to be surprised that contributions from Europeans show a corresponding falling off. The total of Rs. 10,461 (a good portion of which was contributed in half a dozen single donations) from the vast number of 3,260,617 patients certainly does not bespeak much monetary acknowledgment either from poor or wealthy natives.

THE programme of the Indian Volunteer Rifles Association has been enriched this year by the Rivett-Carnac Challenge Cup, and competition for which is to be held under the Association's auspices. When Colonel Rivett-Carnac—whose services to volunteering in the N.-W. Provinces, and indeed throughout India, are still too fresh in memory to need recalling—was leaving the country, his battalion, the Ghazipur Volunteers, which included something like 99·99 per cent. of the European population of the Eastern districts as efficients, subscribed for a trophy that should hand down the name of their Commandant to future generations of volunteers. Some thirteen hundred rupees were collected, and they had been invested in the purchase of a Challenge Cup which has been made over to the Volunteer Rifle Association. The Association has wisely thrown it open to all teams composed of members of any one volunteer corps, irrespective of whether the competitors are members of the Association themselves or not, and it will thus become a corps championship contest in the real sense of the word, while the presence of such an event in the Association programme will strengthen its rising influence as a representative centre for volunteer interests in the matter of musketry, and perhaps in due time in other matters also, for such a central organisation is much wanted.

MR. DONALD SMEATON, lately officiating as Chief Commissioner of Burma, is now on leave at Simla preparatory to taking furlough.

MR. J. S. MACKINTOSH, Commissioner of Lucknow, intends, we believe, retiring shortly. India has now few attractions for senior Civilians.

DURING the current summer the Russians have established two new outposts in the Upper Oxus Valley in territory evacuated by the Afghans. One is at Kila Womar in Roshan and the other in the Ghund Dara near the Yashil Lake.

MR. HUGH FOX, Assistant Commissioner, Lucknow, died on Thursday from enteric fever. He was the youngest Civilian in the N.-W. Provinces, and for a short period was in the Pilibhit district, but about two months ago was posted to Lucknow. The funeral took place on Friday morning and was largely attended by officials and friends; the Rev. Father Petronius performed the last rites.

A BURMA correspondent says it is thought highly probable that Mr. F. B. Hebbert will be appointed the first Agent of the Burma Railways and Mr. F. K. Bagley the Chief Engineer. The former, during his recent brief stay in Burma, did his work as a most capable and energetic administrator, and his appointment would be a very popular one. Mr. Bagley's services will be especially needed in the construction of the Mandalay-Kunlon Railway, which has been surveyed on several occasions by him and with the rapid pushing on of which he has been closely identified.

THE crop and weather report for the week points to improved conditions in the Punjab. The reports from Behar are very unfavourable, and more rain is needed in the North-West Provinces, where 20,000 people are still on the relief works. Very heavy rain—much the heaviest since the break of the monsoon—fell at Lahore during the early hours of Friday morning.

MR. J R BELL, Consulting Engineer to the Government of India for Railways, retired from service on the 21st instant, his fifty-fifth birthday. The Secretary of State, it is known, has been of late considering a reorganisation of the railway administration; one result of which would be the lapse of Mr. Bell's appointment; but the matter is not yet determined. If the post is retained, Mr. F. K. Upcott will probably succeed Mr. Bell.

A DAUGHTER of Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji and a young Hindu lady have passed their final examination at Edinburgh for the "triple qualification of physician and surgeon from the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons of Edinburgh and the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow." Both received their preliminary training in Bombay, and only quite recently arrived in England.

THE London Court of Chancery, on August 5th, discharged the interlocutory injunction which had been granted against the Kruger Syndicate until the trial of an action pending at the suit of one Armstrong, respecting an arrangement to procure certain contracts from Eloff, a son-in-law of the President of the Transvaal.

THE *Daily Chronicle's* Vienna correspondent telegraphs:—"Noteworthy is the suspicions with which Russian papers in their comments on Li Chung Tang's visit to England attempt to inspire him against Great Britain. They warn him from England, pointing out that China's future depends on Russia, France, and Germany, only, by which Powers she was saved from annihilation. The cynical egotism of British power showed itself, they say, in the Chino-Japanese war, when England would have obtained her secret aims in the Far East had the before mentioned Powers not come to the rescue of China. The Viceroy, they finally advise, should beware of England's flattery. As efforts are being made to represent the visit of La Hung Chang to France as having cost that country at least a million francs, M. Jules Melines organ stated that the hotel and all other expenses incurred during the sojourn of the Chinese statesman and his suite as the guests of the Government, did not amount to more than 80,000f. or a little over £3,000.

A STATEMENT is published by a Berlin paper to the effect that Professor Mendel, the well-known specialist for mental diseases, has been summoned to St. Petersburg to examine the condition of the Tsar. This is, however, denied in other quarters, where it is stated that the patient, though of princely rank, is not of the Imperial family.

A TELEGRAM received in Paris from St. Petersburg confirms the report that the Tsar will visit France at the end of September.

THE death is announced of the Dowager-Lady Denevor, widow of the fifth Lord Denevor, who was in Holy Orders, and for many years Vicar of Fairford.

THE ingenuous editors of the *Pall Mall Magazine* have been dreadfully hoaxed by some wicked wag. The great feature of their new number is "an unpublished poem by Wordsworth," which is announced as "a well-authenticated literary curiosity." This precious "unpublished poem" positively consists of six lines out of one of Wordsworth's most popular sonnets, beginning "The most alluring clouds that mount the sky," which was published some sixty years ago. To any one with any literary knowledge there would be a preposterous absurdity in the very idea of any work of Wordsworth's having remained unpublished for nearly half a century after his death. Where was this "poem" supposed to have been concealed all this time?

KING, MENELIK has commissioned a Belgian engineer to establish a telegraph system throughout Abyssinia.

A MAN, named Schroder, an official of a private Colonial undertaking in German East Africa, has been convicted by the Imperial Court in the Colony on a charge of gross brutality towards natives, and sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment with hard labour.

GREAT activity prevails at Kosheh now that the railway has been completed as far as that point. Wadel Bishara, the Dervish commander at Dongola and Osman Azrak, have quarrelled.

MR. RADCLIFFE COOKE, M.P., has launched forth another panegyric on cider. If the writing of letters is capable of popularising a beverage, the member for Hereford has ensured the universal acceptance of cider as an English drink; but, unfortunately, it takes a great deal more than paper, pen, and ink to induce people to buy an article which they know is sold to them at an exorbitant price. Cider-making (says the *Daily Telegraph*) can scarcely become profitable until it finds a large sale in the great cities, and it is not likely to do so as long as its retail price is higher than nourishing beer or stout. In Normandy and Brittany, the two apple provinces of France, a thirsty traveller may enter a cabaret or cafe anywhere and purchase for a sou, or a halfpenny, a "bol," about half-a-pint, of excellent cider; and he can buy it very good indeed in bottles for home consumption at three-halfpence the litre—about two pints and a half. In the hotels each person who sits down to dinner receives his carafe of cider instead of water; while if he desires it of unusual strength and sparkling—known as "cidre bouche"—such as is often sold in this country, after a little manipulation, as champagne, he may have it at fivepence the litre. This proves that cider is an exceeding cheap beverage. But what is the case in London? On draught in public-houses it is fourpence or fivepence a pint, while for pint bottles delivered at home the price is three shillings a dozen. London cannot, of course, be expected to have it so cheap as towns in the cider counties, but the difference shown above is unreasonable.

MR. ARNOLD WHITE, in *Cassell's Magazine* tells this story, apropos of quick decisions in sudden danger:—"In the Red Sea, one burning hot morning, I was reading quietly on the taffrail of an outward-bound P. and O. boat. One of the smart young cavalary officers on the way out to join his regiment was playing with a little girl of six. She was running away from him, shouting with merriment, and heedless of consequences long as she escaped from her pursuer. Little Sunbeam rushed past me, leaped through the lower chain of the stanchion railing, and was in the boiling wake of the steamer before anyone could apprehend danger. I rose suddenly as I saw the child gain the bulwark and two curious things happened. A form rushed past me, and, before the child had struck the water, the young cavalry sub. had flung himself over the railing and was in the air. The two bodies struck the water within a second of each other, and, when both rose, they were not three yards apart. The nearest life-buoy that hung on the bulwark was thrown overboard so quickly by the quartermaster that it floated not thirty yards from where the two bodies were floating, and the order to stop the ship was given within four seconds of the occurrence, the whole scene being observed by the officer on watch; and the rapidity with which he stopped the ship and gave orders for the boat to be lowered, was happily rewarded by a rescue."

A WRITER on Human Inequalities on the *Popular Phrenologist* says the ears on the same head are probably more alike than any other of the twin organs of the body. With regards to the eyes, to say nothing of the fact that one eye is generally more open than the other, all oculists agree that the cases where the seeing powers of the two are equal—in the same head—are very rare. Usually men use the right eye the most. Watchmakers, engravers, micro-copists, and mariners using a telescope, apply their right eye to the instrument, and generally overwork that organ. There is no good reason why both eyes should not be equally strong, but they are not. Tailors agree that the right shoulder is almost always lower than the left. This they account for from the almost universal habit men have of resting the left elbow on the desk while writing, and to the equally prevalent practice of those who carry heavy burdens resting them on the right shoulder. As regards the arms and legs, there is generally but slight difference. In the size of the hands and feet there is commonly a great variation, and, curiously enough, while it is the right hand that is generally bigger, it is the left foot that requires a size larger boot or shoe. Glove makers give the proportion of large right hands as 990 in 1,000, which, by the way, approximates to the proportion of right-handed persons in a community. The size of the hand is materially increased by labour. If we are to believe the ladies when they tell us they wear "fives" in gloves, then the human hand has grown smaller within the last twenty or thirty years. But the glove makers tell a different story, for they confess to marking all gloves a half-size smaller than they really are. This is because ladies almost invariably ask for one size smaller glove than they can wear. The difference in the size of the hands is so marked that the glove that fits the right hand will wrinkle on the left, looking, in fact, too large. When we come to the feet, we find the left foot, as a rule, the larger. While the right hand and arm are generally the bigger and stronger, the opposite leg and foot correspond in these particulars. We habitually stand on the left foot, and when a man puts his "best foot foremost, it is the left foot he steps off with, the left he uses most on a bicycle, the left he rests on to mount a horse; and ladies use the left one most at sewing-machine work. While the constant use of the right hand is a matter of training (monkeys use both equally), it would seem as though it was natural that the left should be most used, and hence the left is generally the stronger.

## THE FIRST HINDU VICE-CONSUL FOR PERSIA.

WEDNESDAY afternoon witnessed a ceremony the like of which was never witnessed in this great metropolis writes a Calcutta paper and which historians are sure to bequeathe to future generations. It was the ceremony of presenting the "Firman" from His Imperial Majesty the Shah-en-Shah, appointing Nawab Kumar Shyama Kumar Tagore, Vice-Consul for Persia in Calcutta. The weather proved exceedingly inclement, but despite this fact some 60 or 70 of the "elite" of the Moghul community and other subjects of Persia responded to the invitation of the Consul at Calcutta and the Vice-Consul at Bombay, and assembled in the residence of Rajah Sir Sourendro Mohun Tagore of Pathuriaghata. Amongst those present were Mr. H. M. Rustomji, Imperial Consul for Persia, Calcutta, and sons; Mr. Cowasji D. Rustomji, Imperial Persian Vice-Consul at Bombay; Mr. R. D. Mehta; Rai Bahadur Koylas Chunder Mukerji; Rai Bahadur Boikanto Nath Basu; and Babu Dhonesh Prokash Ganguly. At 3-30 p.m. the Vice-Consul for Persia, Mr. C. D. Rustomji read the "Firman" and afterwards delivered the following address:—

Nawab Kumar Shyama Kumar Tagore.—In handing you this "Firman" from His Imperial Majesty the Shah-en-Shah appointing you Vice-Consul for Persia in the city of Calcutta and which I have been specially deputed to bring to you by my esteemed friend His Excellency Mohtesham-es-Sultaneh. His Imperial Majesty's Consul General in India. I trust you will allow me to say a few words in expression of the great satisfaction both the Consul-General and myself have felt in having succeeded in getting the Court of Teheran to confer upon you this high and honorable post.

I know that you are the son of one of the richest and most esteemed native nobleman on this side of Indian nevertheless, I am persuaded you will feel proud of the honor now conferred upon you by His Imperial Majesty the Shah-en-Shah as the first Hindu gentleman appointed a representative of a foreign power and your being made Vice-Consul by the Court of Teheran may well be considered a historical event of great interest.

Your worthy father, my good friend the Maharajah Nawab Saha Jada Sir Sourendro Mohun Tagore, I am pleased to remark, is also the first Hindu gentleman, who holds the Imperial title of Nawab Saha Jada conferred upon him by the late lamented sovereign of Persia, Nusserud-din-Shah, a title most worthily conferred upon him in recognition of his being one of the most distinguished "oriental Savants," and I need hardly add, has lately been rendered Sereditary mainly owing to the strong recommendation of H. E. the present Consul General for Persia in India. It was also on being assured of the continued good will and the sympathy the Rajah Sahib has always evinced towards the subjects of the Persian Government in this country that our Consul-General unhesitatingly recommended the young Rajah to the notice of the Persian Government for the honorable office of Vice-Consul for Persia in which it is my good fortune this day to induct him.

In conclusion, I venture to recommend the young Vice-Consul to be zealous in the discharge of his duties in revision with, and under the direction of, the Persian Consul in this city, Mr. Hirjibhoy M. Rustomji, a gentleman well-known to you all as was his respected father, the late Manockji Rustomji also your worthy Consul for Persia at Calcutta. I have now much pleasure in congratulating you, my friend oung Rajah, y on your nomination to the post of the Vice-Consul, which I feel confident, you will fill with houor to yourself and benefit to the Persian Government, and I fervently hope that God Almighty will, in his goodness, continue to bless you and your family and give you all long life and uninterrupted good health to enjoy the riches so bountifully bestowed upon you.

The following is a general translation of the Persian "Firman":—

"Rich and proper person is required for the better protection of the subjects and merchants of our August Government residing in Calcutta and as we are well assured that Nawab Kumar Shyama Kumar Tagore is a gentleman, both capable, well inclined, and willing to promote the welfare of our said subjects, it is our will and pleasure herby to appoint and nominate in this Pitch-bill year the said Nawab Kumar Shyama Kumar Tagore to be our Vice-Consul at Calcutta, and we require that he, the said Nawab Kumar Shyama Kumar Tagore will well and truly watch over the interests of our subjects and discharge all the duties pertaining to the office of Vice-Consul in accordance with existing treaties and subject to orders and direction of our Consul-General in India stationed at Bombay. 20th day of Showwal, 1313.

Mr. H. M. Rustomji, Consul for Persia, in presenting the "Firman," said:—It affords me very great pleasure and satisfaction in being the medium of presenting to you this evening the "Firman" of his Imperial Majesty the Shah-en-Shah of Persia appointing you His Majesty's Vice-Consul in Calcutta. That pleasure is greatly enhanced by the fact of the very friendly relations which have existed between your family and mine for, I may say, three generations, and I trust these friendly relations will continue long. I now formally hand you the "Firman" and hope that you will long be spared to discharge the duties of the office upon which you now enter, with credit to yourself and to the satisfaction of the Government of the Shah. And for my own part, I can assure you of my hearty co-operation at all times.

The Kumar seemed to be greatly moved, nevertheless in a clear firm voice, which seemed to have the ring of true genuineness about it, he replied as follows:—

M. H. M. Rustomji, Imperial Consul for Persia, Calcutta, and Mr. Cowasji D. Rustomji, Imperial Persian Vice-Consul at Bombay:—

I am deeply sensible of the high honour which the Imperial Government of Persia have conferred upon me by appointing me as Vice-Consul for Persia in Calcutta, and I cannot sufficiently express my gratitude to the Imperial Government for this signal expression of good will and to His Excellency the Imperial Consul-General at Bombay on whose kind recommendation this appointment has been made and confirmed by my own Government. In attempting to carry out, through the kind help of senior officers, the responsible duties which have been entrusted to me, I shall always keep in mind the fact that this is the first appointment of the kind, which has ever been conferred upon a member of the Bengali community.

Now, I beg to tender you Mr. Cowasji my hearty thanks for the trouble you have taken in coming over from Bombay with a view to present me with the "Firmans" of the Shah-en-Shah and for the kind words which have accompanied the presentation. I also thank you, Mr. H. M. Rustomji, for the trouble you have taken in coming here this afternoon to give weight to the occasion by your kind presence.

## RECENTLY PROVED WILLS.

THE LATE SIR JOHN PENDER.

THE gross value of the personal estate of the late Sir John Pender has been entered at £348,179 4s. 3d., but the net or actual value is not stated, and the value of the real estate, if any, is also not stated. The executors are the testator's son, Mr. John Denison Pender, of 51, Sloane-street; Admiral Lord John Hay, of Fulmer-place, Slough; and Mr. Richard Enfield, of Bramcote, Notts, to each of whom the testator bequeathed for the executorship £100; to his said son, John Denison Pender, £50,000; to his grandson, Henry Denison Pender, £2000; to his four sisters, Mrs. Renwick, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Wake, and Mrs. Duncanson, £100 each; to Mrs. Renwick a life annuity of £120; to the children of the testator's daughter, Dame Marion Des Vœux, £1000; to Lord John Hay, £2000; to Eleanor White, governess to the testator's daughters, a life annuity of £100 to his coachman's wife a life annuity or £52, bequests to other servants, and to trustees a sum of £150 to apply from the income thereof £5 a year in continuance of a prize at Wellington College given by the late Lady Pender. Sir John Pender confirms the settlements made on his marriage, and having appointed to his daughter Lady Des Vœux, on her marriage, £10,000, he appoints the real estate of the settled trust to his son, John Denison Pender, and the personal estate of the settled trust as to fifty-four 158ths thereof to his said son, as to fifty-four 158ths to Lady Des Vœux, and as to fifty 158ths to his daughter, Miss Ann Denison Pender. Sir John Pender bequeathed his gold and silver presentation plate to his son, Mr. James Pender, M.P., for life, and after his death to his eldest son, with remainder to Mr. John Denison Pender, to the last-named of whom he bequeathed the Holme and Denison plate and his diamond stars and tiara, which are to be in trust for Mr. J. D. Pender's eldest son. The testator bequeathed his portrait by Herkomer to his son John, and he bequeathed the portraits of his two daughters by Millais, upon which he placed great value, to Miss Pender for her life, and after her death to Lady Des Vœux. Sir John Pender's residuary estate is to be taken as divided into 405 shares, of which 227 are to be in trust for his son James, 123 for his son John, fifty for his daughter Lady Des Vœux, and five for Miss Pender, but in the event of either of his sons without issue, the share of such son is to be in trust for the surviving son and Lady Des Vœux, but so that the share of the surviving son shall be four times as much as that of Lady Des Vœux. Mr. John Denison Pender is to bring into hotchpot against his share of the residuary estate the sum of £50,000 bequeathed to him, and Mr. James Pender is to execute a bond securing the sum of £14,000, which is to be held in trust as to one hundred and twenty-three 178th parts for Mr. J. D. Pender, as to fifty 178th parts for Lady Des Vœux, and as to five 178th parts for Miss Pender. Sir John Pender's estate is left in trust for sale and realisation, but with certain powers of postponement, and the trustees have liberty of investment on the security of landed estate in England, Scotland, and Wales. Lady Des Vœux has power to appoint £1000 a year to her husband if he survives her.

Among other Wills were those of Mr. William Bellingham, £65,700; Mr. William Henry Dawson, £78,661; Mr. Charles Thornton Grainger, £8003; Rev. Armine Styleman Herring, £5511; Mr. Charles Wakefield Jackson, £50,870; Mr. John Brookes Johnston, £17,085; Sir Thomas Galbraith Logan,

## ECHOES OF SCIENCE.

If the book "Made in Germany" does nothing more than draw public attention to the fact that foreigners are evidently quite as able to manufacture machines and other industrial products as we are, it will do a great deal of good. There has long been an impression abroad in many quarters that we the British are the great practical nation, and that the Germans are philosophical or sentimental dreamers while the French are deficient in practical capacities, unless it be in the finer arts. Writers such as Matthew Arnold, more or less ignorant of science and engineering have contributed largely to foster this erroneous and, as it now appears, fatal notion among English people. Not long ago we saw it laid down in a new edition of a well-known book of "Commentations" for English boys and girls, that in all things practical the English are superior to the French, &c. Now, when false ideas are instilled into young heads they are likely to remain there throughout life and foster a careless over-confidence, if not an offensive pride, which may have deplorable consequences.

How false such notions are must be apparent to anyone who has visited a French industrial exhibition with an open unbiassed mind and some skill in mechanics. We have heard an English practical engineer say that he never saw cleaner ironwork in his life than he saw at the last French International Exhibition, and his opinion is by no means singular. The French are great as engineers and mathematicians; the modern art of war was largely developed by them, as many of our military terms will show; they originated what we mistakenly call "Gothic" architecture. In physical science they are at least equal to the English and German, and they have a reputation for the construction of the finer scientific apparatus, such as telescopes, which is unsurpassed, if not matchless. It was true for a time, no doubt, that England had the start in industrial matters: but the early days of steam engines, railways, and telegraphs are past, and other nations are now successfully competing with, and sometimes excelling, her.

It is high time that Englishmen in general recognised this important fact; high time that they rid their minds of the mistaken notion that they have any monopoly of the best practical skill among the nations of Europe; circumstances were in their favour at one time, and lent colour to the notion, but that time is gone by. As a rule, it is not so much inherent capacity that the mixture of divers races, which we call a nation, lacks as opportunity. Other nations, and in particular, Germany, are now able to give up philosophy, and apply their talents to industrial production. It is much the same with the French, whom Lord Beaconsfield at least was wise enough to regard as a "great practical nation."

M. Leon Vaillant has made numerous observations on a family of silures, a fish inhabiting the sweet waters of tropical Africa, especially those of the great lakes. They have a double set of breathing apparatus, gills for the water and lungs for the air, and during the dry season live in holes, which they leave at night to seek their food on the land.

Tidal waves, probably due to the recent earthquakes near Japan, were felt on the North Pacific Coast on June 15th. At the mouth of Rogue River the waves were three to six feet high, and forced back the flood of the river. Hawaii was also visited by tidal waves on the same day, the water rising 35 feet above the general level of the sea at some points.

According to Herr Haltermann in the "Annalen der Hydrographie," St. Elmo's fire occurs pretty frequently at sea. In a square of 10 degrees each side lying between the equator and 10 degrees north latitude, and 20 to 30 degrees west longitude, it was observed thrice per 1,000 days recently. In the two similar squares between 50 to 60 degrees south latitude and 60 to 80 degrees west longitude, it was noticed six time per 1,000 days.

Mr. C. E. Clark, an American mining engineer, has described his experiences in the goldfields of British Guiana to the New York "Engineering and Mining Journal." According to him much of the territory claimed by Venezuela is unoccupied by Venezuelans at all, and was opened up by young colonists from Guiana in search of rare woods, medicinal herbs, &c. When placer gold was found the population increased rapidly, but although the gold fields are rich, they will not be properly developed until the boundary dispute is settled. The gold occurs in gravel from 4 to 30 feet under the surface, and the climate, though good in the north-west, is feverish in the south.

At the Jardin des Plantes, Paris, the lectures on natural history and the attendant laboratory work there, together with special instructions to travelling naturalists, are particularly useful in educating teachers, explorers, and members of the general public who are unable to follow the courses at the universities, which are more detailed. They include lectures on biology, palæontology, and comparative anatomy, and are very good of their kind.

Mr. R. I. Pocock, in reference to the stridulating organ of the Indian and African scorpions, expresses the opinion that these animals, as well as the large poisonous spiders and the rattlesnake, have sounding apparatus given them in order to warn intruders to beware of hostile interference. Moreover such dangerous creatures are frequently of bright and staring colours, as though nature had purposely labelled them "poison."

At a recent meeting of the Academie des Sciences a work on steam turbines by M. Sosnowsky, was presented by M. Levy. This turbine is a means of getting the movement of a wheel directly from steam power, as in a mill wheel or water turbine driven by water. The first machine of the kind is traceable as usual to the ancient Greeks, to Hieron of Alexandria, who flourished more than a century before Christ. The author traces the development of the steam turbine, and brings it up to the fine machine of Laval, who obtains a prodigious speed of revolution with steam at a pressure of five atmospheres, by employing a thin flexible axle instead of a very thick one, as might have been supposed at first sight.

At a recent meeting of the Commissioners of the proposed new East River Bridge to join New York and Brooklyn, Mr. Salem H. Wales called attention to the fact that in America the artistic element had been left out of most of the bridges, and proposed that an architect should be employed to work in conjunction with the engineer, in order to combine beauty with utility in the structure. The suggestion will please Mr. Ruskin, and no doubt the aim is a good one, but it is not easy to see how the two experts will be able to collaborate. It would be better if the designer were at once an engineer and architect.

Sir George Baden-Powell, who kindly offered to take a portion of the British Government Eclipse party to Moller Bay, Novaya Zemlya, left Vardo on the last day of July. The requisite astronomical instruments were obtained through Professor Norman Lockyer, and the magnetic instruments through the Admiralty. The observers he has taken with him are Mr. Stone (the "Radcliffe Observer" from Oxford), Mr. Shackleton, of the South Kensington School of Science, and Lieutenant Vernon Webb, R. N. The "Otaria" was to rendezvous with H.M.S. "Volage" at Hammerfest, and take over one or two other astronomers from the party at the Varanger Fjord in Norway. In Novaya Zamlya there will be a higher altitude of the sun during the eclipse than in Norway.

In December 1891 the astronomers beheld the most wonderful sight that has ever greeted mortal eyes. They were watching the queer antics of a star of the ninth magnitude, when all at once it flamed up like a smouldering brush pile to which new fuel had just been added. Within forty-eight hours its brilliancy increased sixteenfold, and then the star slowly disappeared from view. The astronomers believe that what they saw was a sun "burning up." The final flash which they saw probably left the doomed orb twenty or even fifty years ago. It is a well-known fact that there are stars removed from us by distances so great that they might have been wiped out of existence a hundred years ago and the light still be coming to us through space.

A full description of the cell invented by Dr. W. W. Jacques, for the production of electricity by the consumption of carbon, is given in the July number of the "Engineering Magazine" by Mr. G. H. Stockbridge. The apparatus consists of a pot of pure iron surrounded by a suitable furnace and containing caustic soda, in which hangs a rod or cylinder of carbon. The carbon must be in such a state that will serve as a good conductor of electricity. Gas, carbon, and charcoal are available without special treatment; but anthracite coal has to be baked to give it the requisite conductivity, and bituminous coal needs, for the same purpose, to have some of its hydrocarbons driven off. Commercial caustic soda can be used without expelling the usual impurities. Air is forced through the caustic soda by means of an air-pump. To set the cell in operation the furnace and its enclosed generator containing the caustic soda is brought to a temperature of 400 deg. to 500 deg. C., and the air-pump is put in action. The caustic soda takes up oxygen from the air, and releases it at the carbon. The carbon is attacked by the oxygen, and suffers a gradual consumption as long as the operation continues, an electric current being produced as a result of the action, the poles being the iron pot and the carbon rod. Some electricians say the current is only a thermo-electric one. The cell is said to have an efficiency of eighty-five or ninety per cent. This efficiency does not, however, take into account the expenditure of heat for maintaining the cell at a suitable temperature, or of the power used in running the air-pump which supplies it with oxygen. Dr. Jacques' cell is an interesting addition to the list of others devised to obtain electricity as a direct result of the consumption of carbon; but whether it will become of practical value cannot yet be decided.

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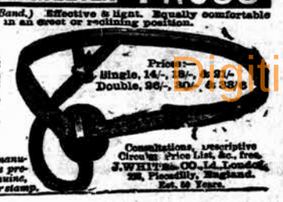

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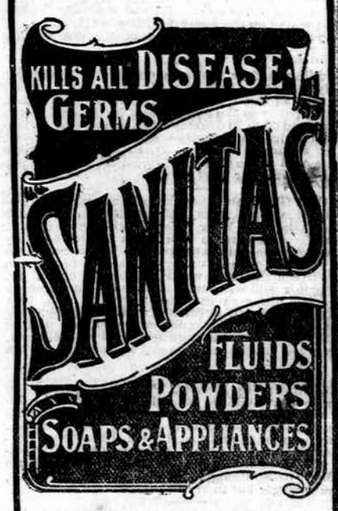


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